# PCCF + Version 5E User's Guide

**Automated Geographic Coding Based on the Statistics Canada Postal Code Conversion Files** 

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### ABSTRACT

*PCCF*+ Version 5 consists of a SAS control program and a series of reference files derived from the most recent Statistics Canada Postal Code Conversion File (PCCF) and a 2006 postal code population weight file (WCF). It automatically assigns a full range of geographic identifiers (down to dissemination area, dissemination block, and latitude, longitude) based on postal codes. It is consistent and logical in the way it does this. Any incorrect coding due to errors in the underlying reference files can easily be corrected once identified. To do such coding by manual methods would require highly skilled coders with much time and access to the full mailing address or property description. Even so, the results of manual coding would tend to be less accurate (particularly in urban areas), and they could inadvertently introduce systematic bias (especially in rural areas).

As long as the postal codes on the incoming file are valid for the corresponding addresses, *PCCF*+ will usually generate highly accurate geographic coding. Manual geographic coding is no longer required except in very rare circumstances. Records for most postal codes which serve more than one dissemination area--including most rural postal codes and several classes of urban postal codes—are assigned geographic codes based on a population-weighted random allocation among the possible dissemination areas and blocks. This produces an unbiased allocation of events in relation to the resident population. However, because of the nature of the postal code conversion files, a few classes of valid postal codes (for which only the post office location is known) cannot be assigned full geographic identifiers corresponding to a place of residence or business. In such cases, as well as for postal codes that do not match exactly to the PCCF or WCF, the first one to five characters of the postal code are used to try to assign partial geographic identifiers to the extent possible. This takes care of many situations where one or more characters of the postal code are invalid, but the first one to five characters are valid. Problem records include full diagnostic and reference information. Business and institutional addresses are clearly identified, which facilitates determining if the postal code corresponds to the client's usual place of residence (or business), or was the result of a keying or reporting error. An alternate version of the control program is also provided for better coding of the location of health facilities and professional offices, as opposed to places of residence, where that is desired.

Note: For authorized university research and teaching purposes, *PCCF*+ is available under the Data Liberation Initiative (DLI). For general information on the DLI, including contact persons at each participating university, see the Statistics Canada website: www.statcan.ca (Learning resources / Postsecondary/Data Liberation Initiative). On the DLI FTP site, the *PCCF*+ filenames are shown in the directory -/health/pccf5E-fccp5E.

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# **GETTING STARTED**

#### Introduction

To do automated geographic coding based on postal codes using *PCCF*+, all you need to do is follow Steps 1, 2 and 3 below. The rest of the documentation provides supplementary detail and background information which should be read eventually, but it is not essential to getting started. A list of **Abbreviations** begins on page 17, the **References** begin on page 19, and a **List of Appendices** available can be found on page 23.

If you want to find out what the program does and how it works before getting started, skip Steps 1-3, and begin reading at the section entitled **Origins and objectives of** *PCCF*+. Then come back to Step 1 when you are ready to begin coding.

# Step 1: Getting set up

The *PCCF*+ package consists of five SAS control files (the programs) plus several reference files derived mainly from the Statistics Canada Postal Code Conversion File (PCCF) and Weighted Conversion Files (WCF). To use the programs, you must first have installed SAS on to your computer and copied all of the files shown in Table 1 (on page 7) into your own directory. For residence coding, edit the program GEORES5x.SAS. For coding of health facilities or office locations, edit the program GEOINS5x.SAS.

## Step 2: Identifying your input file (with postal codes to be assigned geography)

Your incoming data to be coded will be known to the programs as HLTHDAT. You must indicate to the program where to find your income file, by changing the shaded filename shown below to your own incoming *filename.ext* at the following line:

```
filename HLTHDAT <a href="c:\pccf5c\sampldat.can">c:\pccf5c\sampldat.can"</a>; /* your input file *,
```

Your incoming file can be sorted in any order or unsorted. Each logical record of the incoming file must contain a unique identifier (ID), plus a postal code (PCODE) if available. The postal code can have a space or hyphen between the first 3 characters (FSA) and the last 3 characters (LDU), or no space. Those fields can be anywhere in the file, but you must tell SAS where to find them, as in the following example:

```
DATA HLTHDATO; INFILE HLTHDAT MISSOVER;

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The ID can be numerical, alphabetic or mixed. It can be up to 12 characters in length, and can be found anywhere in your file, as specified in the INPUT statement. If ID is more than 12 characters in length, the output file formatting would have to be modified. Records with the same ID but different postal codes will each be assigned geographic codes. However, if the same ID and postal code appear in combination more than once, only one example of each combination will be retained. The postal code can also be found anywhere in the file, with the FSA optionally separated from the LDU, or together.

### Step 3: Naming the two output files produced

*PCCF*+ will produce two output files, one for all of the coded data, and a subset of that which contains the problem records (errors, warnings and notes). You must specify the name of these output files by changing the shaded filenames to the names you want your output files to be called. We suggest using the extensions GEO and PRB for these files, but you can use any extensions you wish.

The first of these two output files, known to SAS as HLTHOUT, will contain the ID and postal code from your incoming HLTHDAT file, plus all of the geographic codes which the programs could successfully determine, and diagnostic fields to help you understand how the coding proceeded in each case.

The second output file, known to SAS as GEOPROB, will contain a subset of the HLTHOUT records, for any cases identified as errors, warnings or notes. To facilitate checking and correction, it will be sorted by type of problem (errors first, followed by warnings, followed by notes), then by delivery mode type (DMT), then by postal code. In the unlikely event that none of the HLTHOUT records were identified as potential problems (errors, warnings, or notes), then the GEOPROB dataset and corresponding file would be empty.

When Steps 1, 2 and 3 are completed, you will be ready to start assigning geographic identifiers to your file based on postal codes. If you are eager to get started, go right ahead. Just submit the SAS program. The rest of the documentation can be read later. To make the SAS printout easier to read, the page setup (under the file menu) should specify landscape orientation, and the print setup (also under the file menu) should specify font SAS monospace 8 point.

## Step 4 (optional): Getting appropriate geographic coding for FSAs which were moved (V1H & V9G)

After completing Step 3 (running the program), check the printed output. Immediately following the Summary of Automated Coding Results (at the beginning of the .LST output), if your data contained any postal codes beginning with V1H or V9G which were moved south in 1997, you will see a table showing how many postal codes with each of those two FSA were involved. If that table is present (and non-blank), then to get the appropriate geographic coding for those postal codes, you may need to run a supplemental program (R5xOLD for residential coding, or I5xOLD for institutional coding). Whether or not you need to run the supplemental program depends on the vintage of your postal codes (see Appendix C for how the vintage of a postal code is defined). If the vintage of your postal codes is 1 April 1999 or later, then use of the supplemental programs is unnecessary and will have no effect on the data. In all other cases, if the results of Step 3 show problem postal codes beginning in V1H or V9G, you should run the supplemental program to ensure that the appropriate geographic codes are assigned.

First identify your input file, as you did in Step 2, except that this time the input filename will be the same as the HLTHOUT filename which you identified in Step 3.

Assuming that each record in your data has approximately the same vintage of postal code, then check the first input data step in R5xOLD or I5xOLD, and modify the value of PCVDATC if required, as shown in the shaded area below. If your data contain no postal codes of vintage later than 1 June 1996, then do not change the value of PCVDATC.

When you have completed the above, submit the supplemental program. Depending on the vintage of your postal codes, some, none or all of the geographic coding for postal codes beginning with V1H and/or V9G may be changed to correspond to their former location.

The rest of this step is needed only if each record of your data may have a different vintage of postal code, so that the global change of the PCVDATC as shown above is not appropriate. But if (as will most often be the case) the global change was appropriate, then stop here.

If each record of your data may have a different vintage of postal code, then append that date to the end of each HLTHOUT record output by GEORES5x or GEOINS5x, and then revise the first input data step in R5xOLD or I5xOLD to include the following line:

```
@ nnn PCVDATC $CHAR8.; /* YYYYMMDD VINTAGE OF PCODE */
```

And in that case, don't forget to delete the semicolon at the end of the old input statement, and to comment out the line (just below the end of the input statement) that defines PCVDATC as a constant. Do the latter by adding the SAS comment characters as shown in the shaded text below:

```
/* PCVDATC='19970601'; */ /* YYYYMMDD VINTAGE OF PCODES */
```

**Table 1** Files included in PCCF+ Version 5E

Filename	Description
GEORES5x.SAS	SAS PROG (RESIDENCE CODES)
GEOINS5x.SAS*	ALT SAS PROG (OFFICE CODES)
R5xOLD.SAS#	SAS PROG OLD FSAs (RESIDENCE CODES)
I5xOLD.SAS#*	ALT SAS PROG OLD FSAs (OFFICE CODES)
DIST5x.SAS	CALCULATES MINIMUM DISTANCE TO CLOSEST OF MANY LAT LONG
EXPLODE2.SAS + GROUPED.TXT	TRANSFORMS COUNT DATA TO EQUIVALENT INDIVIDUAL RECORDS
FIXPCBAD.SAS + PCBAD.TXT	FIX COMMON ERRORS IN CANADIAN POSTAL CODES.
BLDG9606.EGMRES.CAN	POSSIBLE RES FOR DMT E G M
BLDG0803.TXTF1EZ3.CAN	BLDG NAMES & ADDRESSES
CPADR.NADR0803.CAN	NUMBER ADDRESS RANGES FOR PCODE
GEOREF06.ARDEF.CAN	AGRICULTURAL REGION (CROP DISTRICT) DEFINITIONS
GEOREFO6. ARNAMES.CAN	AGRICULTURAL REGION (CROP DISTRICT) NAMES
GEOREFO6.DB06EADA.CAN	2006 DISSEMINATION BLOCK TO 1981-2001 EA/DA
GEOREF06.CCSSAC.CAN GEOREF06.CCSNAMES.CAN	CENSUS CONSOLIDATED SUBDIVISION DEFS, SACTYPE, SAC CENSUS CONSOLIDATED SUBDIVISION NAMES
GEOREF06.CCSNAMES.CAN GEOREF06.CDNAMES.CAN	CENSUS DIVISION NAMES  CENSUS DIVISION NAMES
GEOREF 00. CDNAMES.CAN GEOREF 06. CSDNAMES.CAN	CENSUS SUBDIVISION NAMES
GEOREF 00. CSDNAMES. CAN GEOREF 06. CSIZE 06. CAN	COMMUNITY SIZE BASED ON 2006 CMACA POP (INCL CMA NAMES)
GEOREF06.CS1ZE06.CAN	BLOCKS WITHIN DISSEMINATION AREAS
GEOREF06.DABLKPNT06.CAN	POINTER TO BLOCKS WITHIN DISSEMINATION AREAS
GEOREF06.DPLNAMES.CAN	DESIGNATED PLACE NAMES
GEOREF06.ERDEF.CAN	ECONOMIC REGION DEFINITIONS
GEOREF06.ERNAMES.CAN	ECONOMIC REGION NAMES
GEOREF06.FEDNAMES.CAN	FEDERAL ELECTORAL DISTRICT
GEOREF06.GTF06.CAN	GEOGRAPHIC ATTRIBUTES AT BLOCK LEVEL
GEOREF06.HRDEF07L.CAN	HEALTH REGIONS DEFINITIONS
GEOREF06.HRNAM05C.CAN	HEALTH REGION NAMES AND POPULATIONS
GEOREF06.INSTFLG.CAN	INSTITUTIONAL FLAG
GEOREF06.NSREL96.CAN	NORTH SOUTH RELATIONSHIP (BASED ON 1996 PRCDCSD)
GEOREF06.SUBDEF07L.CAN	HEALTH DISTRICT DEFINITIONS
GEOREF06.SUBNAM5C.CAN	HEALTH DISTRICT NAMES
*GEOREF06.THDIST2.COD	TORONTO HEALTH PLANNING AREA NAMES AND CODES
*GEOREF06.THPA06DA.DEF	TORONTO HEALTH PLANNING AREA DEFINITIONS
GEOREF06.DB01DA06.CAN	2001 CENSUS DISSEMINATION BLOCK TO 2006 DISSEMINATION ARE
MSWORD.FCCP5x.PDF	PCCF+ USER GUIDE-FRENCH
MSWORD.FMT5xGEO.DOC	MS Word SHELL FOR PRINTING THE MAIN OUTPUT FILE (.GEO)
MSWORD.FMT5xPRB.DOC	MS Word SHELL FOR PRINTING THE PROBLEM FILE (.PRB)
MSWORD.PCCF5x.PDF	PCCF+ USER GUIDE-ENGLISH
PCCFyymm.BCVUNIQ.CAN#	PCODES PRIOR TO MOVEOLD FSAS CANADA POST COMMUNITY NAMES
PCCFyymm.CPCOMM.CAN	ALL OCCURRENCES DUPLICATE PCODES
PCCFyymm.DUPS.CAN	GEOGRAPHY AT EACH FSA
PCCFyymm.FSAGEOG.CAN PCCFyymm.FSAGEO1.CAN#	GEOGRAPHY AT EACH FSA-OLD FSAs
PCCFyymm.FSA12GEO.CAN	GEOGRAPHY AT EACH FSA12
PCCFyymm.FSA12GE1.CAN#	GEOGRAPHY AT EACH FSA12—OLD FSAs
PCCFyymm.POINTDUP.CAN	POINTER TO 1ST DUPLICATE PCODE
PCCFyymm.RPO.CAN*	RURAL POST OFFICE LOCATIONS
PCCFyymm.UNIO.CAN	PCODES UNIQUE ON PCCF
PCCFyymm.WCFPOINT.CAN	POINTER TO 1ST DUPLICATE PCODE ON WCF 6-DIGIT
PCCFyymm.WCFUDUPS.CAN	ALL OCCURRENCES DUPL+UNIQUE PCODES ON WCF 6 DIGIT
PCCFyymm.WC5POINT.CAN	POINTER TO 1ST DUPLICATE PCODE ON WCF 5-DIGIT
PCCFyymm.WC5UDUPS.CAN	ALL OCCURRENCES DUPL+UNIQUE PCODES ON WCF 5-DIGIT
PCCFyymm.WC4POINT.CAN	POINTER TO 1ST DUPLICATE PCODE ON WCF 4-DIGIT
PCCFyymm.WC4UDUPS.CAN	ALL OCCURRENCES DUPL+UNIQUE PCODES ON WCF 4-DIGIT
PCCFC06.WCFBLK.CAN	BLOCKS SERVED BY WCF POSTAL CODES
PCCFC06.WCFBLKPT.CAN	POINTER TO BLOCKS SERVED BY WCF POSTAL CODES
PCCFC06.FSAPOINT.CAN	POINTER TO 1ST DUPLICATE FSADABLK
PCCFC06.FSAUDUPS.CAN	ALL OCCURRENCES DUPL+UNIQUE FSADABLK
SAMPLEDAT.CAN	SAMPLE DATA FOR TESTING PROGRAMS
SERVICES.IGE	TEST DATA FOR PROGRAM DIST4x.SAS
PCBAD.TXT	TEST DATA FOR PROGRAM FIXPCBAD.SAS
SESREF.QAIPE06.CAN	IPPE QUINTILES WITHIN CMACA (BASED ON 2006 CENSUS DATA)
WCFDA06.CAN WCFDA06.DOC	2006 CENSUS POSTAL CODE POPULATION WEIGHT FILE—DATA 2006 CENSUS POSTAL CODE POPULATION WEIGHT FILE—RECORD LAYO
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Note: Provincial or regional subsets of the reference files will end with one of the following extensions in place of CAN: NF NS PE NB PQ ON MB SK AB BC YT NT NU ATL PRA WES. (For the meanings of the filename extensions, see page 17.) For best results, all of the files used should have the same extensions.

\* An asterisk following a filename indicates that it is only needed for office coding.

# A number sign following a filename indicates that it is only needed for coding FSAs which have been moved. PCCFyymm replaced by PCCF0803 (March 2008), etc.

GEORES5x GEOINS5x replaced by GEORES5C GEOINS5C (Version 5C), etc.

## HOW THE PACKAGE WORKS

### Origins and objectives of PCCF+

*PCCF*+ consists of two SAS control programs (GEORES5x for residential coding, GEOINS5x for office coding) and a series of reference files derived from the Statistics Canada *Postal Code Conversion File* (PCCF), the *Postal Code Population Weight File* (WCF) and other sources. It automatically assigns a full range of geographic identifiers (PR CD CSD CMA CT DA BLK LAT LONG etc.) based on postal codes. It is consistent and logical in the way it does this. *PCCF*+ uses techniques developed over a period of years for research studies at Statistics Canada. Any incorrect coding due to errors in the underlying reference files can easily be corrected once identified. To do such coding by manual methods would require highly skilled coders with much time and access to full mailing addresses. Even so, the results of manual coding would tend to be less accurate (particularly in urban areas), and they could inadvertently introduce systematic bias (especially in rural areas).

Version 1: 1986 Census geography; equal weight to each duplicate record

Version 2: 1991 Census geography; 2B (20% sample) household weights for most duplicate records

Version 3: 1996 Census geography; 2A (100% count) population weights for most duplicate records

Version 4: 2001 Census geography, 2A (100% count) population weights for most duplicate records

Version 5: 2006 Census geography, 2A (100% count) population weights for most duplicate records

### **Objectives**

At their place of residence, 24% of the Canadian population use postal codes which are vague and ambiguous with respect to location (see **Table 2**, page 22), or which are only linked to post office location. This is the biggest problem facing geographic coding from Canadian postal codes. For example, about 20% of the population uses rural postal codes (which each serve an average of about 1100 persons), 3% use rural route services from urban post offices, and 1% use small post office boxes. For the other 76% of Canadians, the vast majority use postal codes presenting little or no problem with respect to geographic coding, which can usually be done with great precision. For example, for the most common category of service—letter carrier delivery to a private dwelling—only about 30 people share the same postal code. However, a few classes of urban postal codes are primarily used by businesses and institutions, and may or may not be valid as a place of residence. It is important to identify and deal with the various sorts of problems represented by each of the above categories, and that is what *PCCF*+ does, or helps you to do, as summarized below.

- Deal with community mail boxes and other sources of duplicate records on the PCCF (DMT A, B).
- Identify postal codes which may be used by businesses or institutions (DMT E, G, M).
- Provide geographically unbiased coding despite the great ambiguity of rural postal codes and rural routes from urban post offices (DMT W, H, T).
- Provide geographically unbiased coding for persons or organizations using small PO boxes at urban post offices (DMT K), and for those using General Delivery at urban post offices (DMT J).
- Provide client site coding (vs PO location) for institutions using large PO boxes (DMT M).
- Deal with retired postal codes, taking into account problems related to previous DMT.
- Provide for translation across different vintages of census geography.

## Bells and whistles

- Use the first three (FSA), four or five characters of the postal code to impute or partially impute geographic coding where the postal code is not found or is only linked to post office geography.
- Use the first 1 or 2 characters of the postal code for partial imputation if FSA not found.
- Provide information which may help in correcting erroneous or problematic postal codes, or for finding geographic
  codes by other means (if possible); try to furnish enough information so that the user can decide whether to accept or
  reject the coding suggested, if correction of the underlying problem is not possible or feasible.
- For postal codes which may or may not refer to a place of business (DMT E, G, or M), flag records for postal codes known to serve non-residential addresses, and flag those known to serve residential addresses.
- For areas consisting primarily of collective dwellings, indicate the predominate type of dwelling (hospital, nursing home, prison, etc.).

# **Operational requirements**

- Provide detailed diagnostics indicating how the coding was done, what problems were encountered, and how ambiguous
  the postal code was (especially re CD and CSD codes).
- Document everything in a detailed *User's Guide*.
- Make it simple to use by persons with little or no previous knowledge of geography or computers, and small enough to run regional subsets on unsophisticated personal computers.

• Update semi-annually following release of new vintages of the PCCF.

What's new in Version 5E? Updated to include postal codes through to the end of March 2009. Where the postal code input does not match on all 6 characters, the first 4 or 5 characters are now used to try to assign complete geographic coding probabilistically, based on census population weights.

What was new in Version 5D? Routine update to include postal codes through to the end of September 2008.

### What was new in Version 5C? (Versions 5A and 5B were not released to the public.)

Full geographic coding is now done to 2006 vintage census geography, using 2006 census population weights where required. 2006 geography replaces the 2001 census geography. Although the new PCCF separates retired from active postal codes, they are all included in PCCF+, though still flagged as retired if appropriate.

OAIPPE is NW based on 2006 income data.

Three fields newly added to the regular PCCF—related to the quality of the postal conversion process at Statistics Canada—were ported to PCCF+. POINSTAL, QILEVEL, GMETHOD.

Canada Post Air Stage offices are now flagged: AIRLIFT.

EA or DA from all census geography vintages since 1981 are now included (EA81uid, EA86uid, EA91uid, EA96uid, DA01uid, DA06uid).

All but one (AIRLIFT) of the new variables are appended to the end of the file (beginning with position 117), so the record layout up to that point is almost unchanged. (except CT is now length 7 versus 6 previously)

Health regions and health districts: updated definitions with a reference date of December 2007.

### What was new in Version 4J?

Updated to include postal codes through to the end of September 2006. A combined variable (CSIZEMIZ) has been added, showing both urban size group (CSIZE) plus rural metropolitan influence zone (MIZ). A new field for the 2006 dissemination area has been appended (DA06uid), based on the 2001 census block information. Alberta health district (sub-RHA) coding has been added, based on a DA approximation of the definitions which came into effect in 2005, and Alberta health regions are now numbered according to the provincial standard.

What was new in Version 4H? Routine update to include postal codes through to the end of March 2006.

## What was new in Version 4G?

Routine update to include postal codes through to the end of October 2005. For the Federal Electoral Districts, 2003 Representation Order (FED2003), riding names and definitions have been updated to include changes in 2004 and 2005. Ontario health region (HR) definitions have been updated to include changes through August 2005 (LHIN Version 11).

### What was new in Version 4F?

Health region and health district definitions have been updated to 1 June 2005 reference date (Statistics Canada, *Health Indicators, June 2005*, catalogue 82-221-XIE; Statistics Canada, *Health Regions 2005: Boundaries and Correspondence with Census Geography*, catalogue 82-402-XIE). Most notable changes were in Newfoundland and Labrador (amalgamation of four regions into two; other regions unchanged), Nova Scotia (definition of 9 district health authorities as subsets of health zones), Ontario (district health councils abolished in favour of 14 local health integration networks (LHINs); one public health unit dissolved and split between two other units), and Alberta (boundary change between two regions). There were also name changes for 2 health regions in Québec.

Population weights for rural areas now include estimates for under enumerated Indian reserves.

# What was new in Version 4D?

In Version 4D, a new field was added at the end of the main output file for the federal electoral district--2003 representation order (FED2003). Those were the ridings used for the June 2004 federal election. The health district (SUB) field once again identifies CLSCs in Québec, based on the best fit of each census dissemination area. Numerous corrections to programming and files resulted in better coding for urban and rural areas.

### What was new in Version 4A?

In Version 4, coding is to 2001 census standard geography, using 2001 census population weights when required. By contrast, Version 3 coding was to 1996 census geography, using 1996 census population weights when required.

For 2001 census, the dissemination area has replaced the enumeration area as the lowest standard level of geography for most data dissemination purposes. However, dissemination areas are built up from census blocks, which are the basic geographic units required for the definition of health regions, health districts, federal electoral districts, designated places, and the census urban and rural area typology, as well as for best fit correspondence to previous census geographies. So for geographic coding purposes, the dissemination area plus census block replaces the enumeration area, and that change is reflected in *PCCF+* Version 4. Block-level coding is much more precise than enumeration area-level coding, but the file sizes are much larger now than previously (478,707 blocks versus 49,361 EAs in 1996), so execution time of the programs has noticeably increased.

In previous census geographies, the federal electoral district code was an integral part of the enumeration area code (PRFEDEA), which was lowest standard level of geography for both geographic coding and data dissemination purposes. For the 2001 census geography, the enumeration area is used only for data collection purposes, so it has been dropped from *PCCF+* Version 4. The federal electoral district code has been retained, but it has been moved to near the end of the file. Note that for the 1996 census, the federal electoral district representation order was that of 1987, while for the 2001 census, it changed to the 1996 representation order.

The 2001 census population weight file allows for population-weighted random allocation among multiple dissemination areas served by a single postal code. As with previous versions of *PCCF*+, this is done for several classes of postal codes (those with delivery mode types of H through Z) which mainly provide service to rural residents. Then within the randomly selected dissemination area, an additional population-weighted random allocation is performed to select a single block from among the multiple census blocks in that dissemination area. The latter routine is new for Version 4, as it is required for defining several of the geographic levels of major interest to users.

When imputations of geographic coding are required based on the first three characters of the postal code (the forward sortation area or FSA), a complete set of geographic codes down to dissemination area and block are imputed from rural as well as urban FSAs. Previously, a complete set of codes was only imputed for urban FSAs.

The definitions of health regions (HR) and health districts (SUB) have been updated to reflect recent changes in some provinces, as well as the new census geographic concepts.

An updated neighbourhood income quintile field (QAIPPE) is based on 2001 census data by dissemination area.

The community size field (CSIZE) has been updated, based on 2001 census populations. This field classifies census metropolitan areas and census agglomerations by population size, and the residual area not in any census metropolitan area or census agglomeration--also known as "rural and small town Canada" (Plessis et al, 2001).

A new field for the statistical area classification type (SACTYPE) has been added. This field distinguishes among census metropolitan areas (all of which are tracted), tracted versus untracted census agglomerations, and the residual area not in any census metropolitan area or census agglomeration ("rural and small town Canada"), with the latter further classified by the relative importance of commuting flows to work in any census metropolitan area or census agglomeration--also known as "metropolitan influence zones" or MIZ.

A new field defining the North-South relationship (NSREL) in Canada has been added. This field distinguishes South from South transition, North transition and North. It is based on methods described by Puderer and McNiven (2000).

A new field for the rural-urban block (BLKURB) has been added. This is an alternate way of defining urban and rural, based on the population density of each census block, which permits both urban and rural areas to be defined within as well as outside of census metropolitan areas and census agglomerations. Note however that in the vast majority of rural areas, the census block and dissemination area are imputed based on population-weighted random allocations among the many such units known to fall within the postal code service area, so this field should only be used with due caution for the definitional difficulties. Classification based on urban postal codes is much more certain, as the specific block is almost always known with much greater certainty. This field is defined as follows: If UARA GE 9910 THEN BLKURB=0; ELSE IF UARA NE . THEN BLKURB=1.

A new field for economic region (ER) has been added. Economic regions (formerly known as "subprovincial regions") are defined as aggregates of adjacent complete census divisions except in Ontario, where in one case an ER is defined as an aggregate of adjacent census subdivisions, but splitting census division boundaries.

A new field for census agricultural region (AR) has been added. ARs are defined as aggregates of complete adjacent census divisions, except in Saskatchewan, where they are defined as aggregates of adjacent census consolidated subdivisions, without respect to census division boundaries.

A new field for census consolidated subdivision (CCS) has been added. CCSs are defined as aggregations of adjacent census subdivisions within a given census division.

The various categories of the representative point flag field (RPF) have been redefined to correspond with the new 2001 census geography concepts.

The enumeration area collective dwelling field (EACOLL) and the enumeration area comment flag field (EACMTFLG) have been deleted, since enumeration areas are now used only for data collection purposes, and no longer appear on the PCCF+ output files. In its place, a new field (INSTFLG) has been added to help identify records likely to be for institutional residents.

A supplemental program (DIST4x.SAS) has been added to calculate distances from each postal code on one output file (usually the result of GEORES4x.SAS), to the closest of many postal codes on another file (which would usually be the output of GEOINS4x.SAS). Typically this would be used for calculating distances from residences to some kind of health facility or health professional. Basic familiarity with SAS programming is required for use of this supplementary program.

### What was new in version 3E?

Health regions (HR) and health district (SUB) codes were assigned based on the enumeration area code, if present. If an enumeration area code was not present, then the program attempted to assign health region and health district codes based on the census subdivision code, if known, as long as 90% or more of the census subdivision population resided in a single health region or health district.

Canada Post recently moved two FSAs in British Columbia: 100km south in the case of V9G, and 400 km south in the case of V1H. This means that the vintage of the postal code must now be taken into account in order to correctly assign geography in such cases. Thus, the main programs (GEORES3E & GEOINS3E) were revised to assign only the most current geographic codes for those cases, and supplementary programs (R3EOLD & I3EOLD) were written to assign the old geographic coding where required, depending on the vintage of the postal codes (which can be specified). The supplementary programs also print out a summary of the corrections and problems encountered in the recoding, if any, and merge the corrections back into a revised main file. To explain how to use the supplementary programs, and to determine whether or not their use is required, a new Step 4 (optional) was added to the Getting Started section of the documentation.

To further increase the functionality of the output files, community size (CSIZE) codes are now assigned based on the census metropolitan area and census agglomeration code (the CMA field, which includes CA codes). Also, to demonstrate the ease of attaching geographically-coded variables from other data sets (such as summary data from the quinquennial census), neighbourhood income quintile (QAIPPE) codes are now assigned, based on the enumeration area code.

The CPCCODE field (a sequential numeric code corresponding to the Canada Post Community Name) was fully implemented. In previous versions, records which were coded by the weighted conversion file (WCF) were not assigned a CPCCODE, but beginning with Version 3E, all records with a valid postal code have had it assigned.

The main output files (dataset HLTHOUT) are identical in format to those produced by Version 3D, except for the addition of the 4 new fields (HR SUB CSIZE QAIPPE) appended to the end of the record, as noted in the revised documentation. The output of the supplementary programs (R3EOLD and I3EOLD) also include 3 additional fields (BTHDATEC RETDATEC PCVDATC) appended to the end of the record.

The problem file output was modified slightly by reducing the latitude and longitude fields each to 2 digits in order to leave enough room to show the HR and SUB fields.

The documentation was revised to reflect the above changes.

## What was new in Version 3 (all other updates)?

- Version 3 produced output coded to 1996 Census standard geography, whereas Version 2 coded to 1991 census standards, and Version 1 coded to 1986 census standards.
- Whenever possible, 1996 2A (100%) population weights were used for postal codes served by rural post offices, or by rural routes, PO boxes, and suburban route service from urban post offices. However, 1991 2B (20% sample) household weights were used for such postal codes if they were not part of the 1996 census population weight file.
- EAs were imputed for rural as well as most urban postal codes. However, imputation of EA from urban FSAs (new in Version 2) was no longer performed for postal codes linked to post office geography, for which the service area or users might be outside the nominal FSA boundaries.
- New fields were added, but all of the former fields were retained, as was the "look and feel" of the programs. The only change to the definitions of former fields is for problem (PROB) type 2 (unused since Version 1), which was redefined as a Warning (rather than Error as formerly) when the postal code was improbable as a place of residence.

The PROB field has been renamed LINK, so that the meaning of the field values will be intuitive: LINK=0 means no link, and LINK=9 means best link. Latitude and longitude were shown with much greater precision (degrees + 6 places after the decimal rather than degrees + 4 places previously). The field CCSUM was no longer written to the files, but it was still calculated for the printouts.

DPL A field for Designated Place (DPL) code was added. This was a new sub-municipal level of geography with the 1996 census.

RESFLG Postal codes for addresses which were improbable as a place of residence were now flagged (RESFLG), as are postal codes for business and institutional type addresses which appeared to be possible places of residence.

EACOL A field for Enumeration Area Collective Dwelling (EACOL) type was added. This field identified EAs which were specific to hospitals, nursing homes, prisons, etc.

EACMT An Enumeration Area Comment (EACMT) could occur in the problem file output if other address information was not available. The comment field usually named the collective dwelling, business or institution specific to that EA. A flag field (EACMTFLG) identified EAs for which such comments were available in the G96EACMT file.

Five new diagnostic fields were added. The first three were derived from the PCCF, while the last two were derived from other sources:

DMTDIFF A new field based on the previous DMT (DMTDIFF) allowed retired postal codes to be used without fear of overlooking problems related to the previous DMT.

The Representative Point Flag (RPF) indicated the precision of the underlying geographic linkage (to

BLKFACE or EA, and single or multiple links in each case).

SERV The Canada Post Service Type code (SERV) distinguished route service with street address from route service without street address.

PREC The precision (PREC) of latitude and longitude coordinates was indicated with respect to the service area of the postal code, as well as with respect to the blockface or EA nature of the coordinates, and with respect to the nature of the imputation required (if any). 0=least precise; 9=most precise.

The number of address ranges (NADR) served by a postal code was usually one, but might be many. For example, community mail boxes and rural route services usually refer to several address ranges, while most other urban postal codes refer to only one address or address range.

Because of these changes, the record layout for the last section of both output files was changed.

The source program code was still written in SAS, and was easily modifiable—for example, to reduce the printed output by deleting frequency tabulations of each field. As before, the source program was self-documenting to facilitate understanding of what the program actually did and didn't do.

Preliminary versions of supplemental files and model programs were made available for translating back and forth between 1991 and 1996 census geographies.

### What was new in Version 2?

**RPF** 

**NADR** 

Version 2 of PCCF+ (Geocodes/PCCF) incorporated several significant improvements over the original version.

- Manual geographic coding was no longer required for records with valid postal codes, except in very rare circumstances (< 1%). Previously, about 10-15% of records with valid postal codes could not be coded to census tract and enumeration area without manual intervention. Now most postal codes for rural routes from urban post offices, for post office boxes (group of boxes), as well as for suburban service and general delivery, could automatically be assigned the full complement of geographic codes available for other types of postal codes.
- Records with postal codes which serve more than one enumeration area--including most rural postal codes and
  several classes of urban postal codes—were assigned geographic codes based on a household-weighted random
  allocation among the possible locations. This produced an unbiased allocation of events in relation to the resident
  population. An alternative program could be chosen which would assign all rural postal codes to village centres.
- Problem records now included better diagnostic and reference information. Fields indicating the source of the
  matching and the number of different levels of geographic codes assigned were added, in addition to the previously
  available fields which indicated the type of problem, the number of census divisions and census subdivisions served
  by the postal code, and the DMT.

- Business and institutional addresses were more clearly identified. The problem records for most such cases showed
  the building, company, or institutional establishment name and brief address--which helped determine if the postal
  code corresponds to the client's usual place of residence (or business), or was the result of a keying or reporting
  error.
- "Most likely" partial geographic coding based on the first two characters of the postal code was suggested (where
  possible) for records with invalid postal codes. Previously, such coding was attempted only if the first three
  characters were valid.
- For geographic coding of the location of health facilities and health professionals, an alternate SAS control program (GEOINS4x) and one additional file (RPO) were provided. With the alternate program and file, records with rural postal codes were assigned to the same enumeration area as the rural post office.

## How the reference files were produced

To develop the reference files used, the PCCF was pre-processed as follows. First the file was analyzed to determine which postal codes were unique, and which occurred more than once on the file (linked to more than one dissemination area, block or blockface). The unique postal codes were then separated from the duplicate codes. Only the essential fields of the PCCF were retained, to reduce disk storage and memory requirements. Canada Post community names were assigned numeric codes so the names could be moved off to a much smaller, non-redundant auxiliary file. Census subdivision names (but not the corresponding numeric SGC codes) were also removed to a much smaller, non-redundant auxiliary file. Additional reference files were created to show the relationship of the first three characters of the postal code to corresponding census divisions, census subdivisions, census metropolitan areas/census agglomerations, census tracts, enumeration areas, and latitude/longitude. A similar file was created showing the relationship of the first 2 characters of the postal code to the most frequently corresponding census geography and latitude/longitude. Other files were created for matching postal codes to a subset of the 1991, 1996, 2001 and 2006 Postal Code Population Weight Files or Weighted Conversion Files (WCF), which are based on census population or household counts by postal codes and census geography. For Version 5, missing block codes are assigned by population-weighted imputation from dissemination area, if available. A building name and address file was constructed to help check the validity of postal codes for problem records related to business, commercial and institutional establishments. Using census data plus visual inspection of building names, postal codes for addresses which are improbable as a place of residence were flagged, as were postal codes for business and institution-type addresses which appear to be possible places of residence. Health region and health district codes were obtained from provincial health departments. When necessary, dissemination area and block approximations to the definitions were created. A file showing neighbourhood income quintiles within each census metropolitan area or census agglomeration (CMACA) or provincial rural and small town areas was created, based on dissemination area summary data from the 2006 census. Community size groups were determined, based on the 2006 census population in each CMACA. Areas outside of any CMACA were taken as the smallest community size group ("rural and small town Canada").

### What the package does

The result is a set of related files, which together with the SAS control programs provided, can be used for automated coding of most records with a valid postal code. As long as the postal codes on your incoming file are valid for the addresses, PCCF+ will generate highly accurate geographic coding for your data. However, because of the nature of the PCCF and WCF, a few classes of valid postal codes still cannot be assigned full geographic identifiers corresponding to a place of residence or place of business. In such cases, as well as for postal codes that do not match exactly to the PCCF or WCF, the first three, four or five characters of the postal code are used to try to assign partial geographic identifiers to the extent possible. If that fails, then the first two characters of the postal code are tried, or finally, the first character alone.

In each case where *PCCF*+ encounters a possible problem with its automated coding, diagnostic codes are output to the problem file, together with any partial geographic identifiers which may have been determined. The program listing prints out the problem records grouped by type of problem; the records themselves follow a brief printed message describing the problem and suggesting how to correct it. Usually the first thing to do is to check the postal code to make sure that it was correctly entered, and to see that the postal code shown is the correct one for the address.

## Why it is important to have accurate postal codes

The coding produced by *PCCF*+ is only as good as the postal codes on your incoming data file. The *Postal Code Directory* issued by Canada Post, or computerized versions of the directory (available from various sources), can be used to find missing postal codes as well as to validate or correct existing postal codes on your file. With computerized versions, the reverse lookup of address ranges from postal codes is an effective and efficient way of validating postal codes for incomplete or incorrectly spelled addresses. Note that in addition to its troublesome consequences for geographic coding, the absence of a valid postal code on your file could adversely affect any later follow up which might be required. Moreover, the delivery of mail by Canada Post may be delayed or impossible without a valid postal code.

## How the matching process works

The routines in GEORES5x are for assigning geographic codes for places of usual residence. Similar routines in GEOINS5x can be used to assign geographic codes for locations of health facilities or offices of health professionals.

The SAS control program for residential coding is explained below; procedures which apply only to office coding are shown in italics:

- (1) First, rural postal codes and postal codes served by rural route delivery or suburban services from urban post offices, or which indicate a group of post office boxes or a single post office box, are matched to a subset of the Weighted Conversion File (WCF)--consisting of about 75,000 records for 12,000 different postal codes. As most such codes serve more than one dissemination area, the geographic codes are assigned randomly in proportion to the distribution of population with that postal code, as seen in the WCF. For coding of office locations, etc., the GEOINS5x program omits the rural postal codes from this step, so that they can all be assigned to the same dissemination area as the rural post office.
- (2) Second, remaining postal codes which are unique on the PCCF (only linked to a single dissemination area, block or blockface) are matched to corresponding codes on the incoming HLTHDAT file. There are about 560,000 of these unique codes for all Canada, including most urban postal codes. For coding of office locations, rural postal codes together with their corresponding post office geography (File RPO) are added at this point, since those records are also unique.
- Then postal codes which are not unique on the PCCF (over 260,000 different postal codes for which about 1.4 million PCCF records exist, including each of the multiple occurrences of the same postal code) are matched to the remaining records from the HLTHDAT file. Most urban postal codes and some rural postal codes which are not unique on the PCCF (in the sense that they link to more than one dissemination area, block or blockface) are nonetheless not ambiguous in terms of higher levels of geography such as CD, CSD or CMA, CT. To avoid "many-to-many" matching, the matching in this part of the program is done in two steps: (a) Each remaining HLTHDAT record (not already matched to the WCF or to the PCCF unique file) is matched by postal code to a pointer file (POINTDUP) which contains a single record for each postal code which occurs more than once on the PCCF. The pointer file shows how many times the postal code occurs, and the physical location (observation number) of the first occurrence of that postal code on the DUPS file. (b) The information on the POINTDUP file is used to match each successive HLTHDAT record with the next occurrence of that postal code on the DUPS file. This has the effect of distributing events for such postal codes across all possible dissemination areas, blocks or blockfaces which are served by that postal code--with equal weight assigned to each PCCF record.
- (4) Because block codes are required for coding of HR SUB FED UARA, missing block codes are now assigned based on population-weighted imputation from the dissemination area code, if that is available.
- Error records are then identified and processed as follows: (a) Any record with a postal code which did not match on all 6 characters to the PCCF is identified as an error record (LINK=0). (b) Records with postal codes which matched to the PCCF or WCF, but whose DMT is M or X are also identified as error records (LINK=1), since the PCCF only indicates their post office location. (c) The geographic codes for error records are set to missing values. (d) Using auxiliary files, an attempt is then made to assign highly probable CMA, CD and CSD codes, plus CT and DA for urban postal codes. Coding will be suggested based on the first 5, 4 or 3 characters of the postal code, or failing that, based on the first 2 characters of the postal code. PR (only) may be assigned based on the first character of the postal code.
- (6) Health region and health district codes are then assigned by matching to DA, or to DA and BLK, if required.
- (7) Neighbourhood income quintiles within each CMA or CA (QAIPPE) are then assigned, based on the DA. Note that neighbourhood income data are not available for DAs made up of institutional collective dwellings.
- (8) Community size codes (CSIZE) are then assigned, based on CMA or CA populations from the 2001 census. Statistical area classification type (SACTYPE) codes are assigned, based on the CMA or CA code (for SACTYPEs 1-4) plus the PRCDCSD (for SACTYPEs 5-8). Economic region (ER) codes are assigned, based on the PRCD (or PRCDCSD in Ontario only). Agricultural region (AR) codes are assigned based on PRCD (or PRCDCCS in Saskatchewan only). A residence flag is assigned by matching to PCODE to identify non-residential versus residential postal codes among postal codes whose DMT is E, G or M.
- (8b) 1981, 1986, 1991 and 1996 enumeration area codes are assigned using 2006 block to EA/DA correspondence files.
- (9) All records with their corresponding geography (to the extent found) are output to the HLTHOUT (.GEO) file. If some or all geographic codes could not be determined, those fields are set to missing values before writing to the

HLTHOUT (.GEO) file. See **Appendix A** for the record layout, and **Appendix C** for an explanation of the fields and codes.

- (10) A smaller file (GEOPROB) is then created containing: records with postal codes which could not be matched on all 6 characters (LINK type 0: error); records with postal codes for a Delivery Mode Type (DMT) which is only linked to post office location on the PCCF (LINK type 1: error), and for which census location data were not available on the WCF; records where the DMT frequently indicates a non-residential address (LINK types 3 and 4: warning); records for postal codes known to indicate a non-residential address (LINK type 2: warning); records which could have been assigned more than one CSD based on the unweighted PCCF (LINK type 5: note); records which could have been assigned to more than one CSD based on the WCF (LINK type 6: note). See **Appendix B** for the record layout, and **Appendix C** for an explanation of the fields and codes.
- (11) A one page summary of what happened, including the number of records in each link type above is printed in the program listing, together with suggestions as to what to do in each case. The summary also shows the distribution of records by the number of geographic codes which were assigned. See **Appendix D** for sample output.
- (12) Frequency counts of the occurrence of each value of the main fields are printed out. This is done first for the entire HLTHOUT dataset, and then for the GEOPROB subset.
- (13) The entire problem dataset (GEOPROB) is printed out. In this case, the spacing of the printout mirrors that of the corresponding file. See **Appendix D** for sample output.
- (14) The first 500 records from the output dataset (HLTHOUT, including fully coded, partially coded, and uncoded records) are printed out. The printout includes one field which is not present in the output dataset: DISTANCE, which was calculated for illustrative purposes only. See **Appendix D** for sample output.

## How the programs deal with multiple matches

Version 5 of *PCCF*+ has two different ways of dealing with multiple matches--where a single postal code can be linked to more than one dissemination area, block or blockface. (1) For rural postal codes (with a 0 in the second position) and for urban postal codes with a delivery mode type (DMT) of H, K, M,T and Z, a subset of the WCF is used whenever possible to make a population-weighted random distribution of records among the applicable geographic areas served. In this way, if 75% of the population served by a postal code was known to be in DA 1001, then on average, 75% of the records will be assigned to that DA. Next, within the randomly selected DA, a specific block is selected, using weights based on total block population in the blocks served in whole or in part by the postal code. (2) For other types of postal codes with multiple matches possible, equal weight is given to each dissemination area, block or blockface. Successive events at such a postal code are coded in turn to each applicable dissemination area, block or blockface. For office coding only, rural postal codes are always assigned to the dissemination area and block to which the PCCF single link indicator (SLI) is assigned.

In most cases, a full mailing address would not allow any greater accuracy in the determination of CSD, and using only the city or community name line of the address for coding purposes would tend to bias the results towards whichever CSD had a name most similar to that of the postal community. The result would be the often-noted "hot spots" surrounded by "cold spots".

In summary, then, whenever a postal code can be linked to more than one CSD, an explanatory message is printed, the record is output to the problem file (as a Note only), and a systematically selected CSD code is written out to both the main file (HLTHOUT) and the problem file (GEOPROB). For office coding, links to more than one CSD are rare, since rural postal codes are assigned to the dissemination area and block to which the PCCF SLI is assigned.

### How the programs deal with reuse of postal codes (beginning with Version 3E)

After a period of retirement, postal codes are sometimes rebirthed by Canada Post for reuse at a new location. Such reuse may also entail a change of DMT. Reuse of postal codes occurs most frequently, but not exclusively, in areas undergoing rapid expansion which was not foreseen by Canada Post planners when the FSA structure was initially created. However, in almost all cases, reuse of postal codes occurs within the same FSA, and most frequently within a very short distance of the former use. Thus, reuse of postal codes is not normally a problem, and the birth date and retirement date of postal codes is not part of the usual processing of postal codes in the GEORES5x and GEOINS5x programs. In the late 1990s however, two entire FSAs in British Columbia were first retired, and then moved by Canada Post (approximately 100 km south in the case of V9G, and 400 km south in the case of V1H). So the main programs (GEORES5x and GEOINS5x) were revised to assign only the most current geography to records with those two FSAs. Supplemental programs (R5xOLD and I5xOLD) were written to read the output of the main program, and reassign the old geographic coding where required, based on the vintage of the postal codes (which may be specified by the user). Users with less than current data from British Columbia will thus need to run the main program (eg, GEORES5x) followed by the supplemental program (eg, R5xOLD). The results from the supplemental program are automatically merged back into the data output from the main program. However, if your data do not include postal codes

with those FSAs, or if you data only contain postal codes of vintage 19990401 or later, then use of the alternate programs is unnecessary and will have no effect on the coding produced by the regular programs GEORES5x and GEOINS5x.

## How to indicate unknown or partially unknown postal codes

If the postal code for a given record does not match exactly to any postal code on the PCCF, PCCF+ will attempt to assign partial geography based on the first 1, 2 or 3 characters the unmatched postal code. Thus, you should give some thought to how unknown or partially complete postal codes should be indicated on your incoming file. If you were to assign the non-existent postal code H0H0H0 (ho-ho-ho!) to records with missing (and unfindable) postal codes, then those records would all be assigned PR 24 and CMA 462, since nearly all postal codes beginning with H are from metropolitan Montréal, Québec. Even worse, the non-existent postal code H9H9H9 would be assigned to PR 24, CMA 462 and CD 65 (Île de Montréal), since that is the only place legitimate codes beginning with H9H are found. If only the province of residence is known, be sure to indicate the corresponding first letter (for example, B for Nova Scotia) in the initial position of the postal code field, so that the province and region code (PR) will be generated and written to the output files and listings.

## How to run PCCF+

To do automated geographic coding based on postal codes using *PCCF*+ all you need to do is follow steps 1, 2 and 3 at the beginning of this *User's Guide*. The rest of the documentation provides supplementary detail and background information which should be read eventually, but which is not essential to getting started.

### Future versions of PCCF+

For each new version of the PCCF, which is to be released semi-annually, a corresponding update of *PCCF*+ will be produced. Supplementary files and sample programs for EA<=>DA+BLK translation across census years are now available (contact Russell Wilkins for more information).

## Verification of geographic coding produced by PCCF+

**Table 3** (page 21) shows the population-based error percentages for each level of geography, for coding produced by *PCCF*+ Version 3 (R3A) compared to coding from the PCCF Single Link Indicator (SLI), and compared to population-weighted coding from FSA only. In each case, the "gold standard" is a 1% sample of the census population and corresponding postal codes collected in the 1996 Census of Canada. The error percentages are consistently smaller for the *PCCF*+ method, compared to the SLI method, at all levels of geography. At the CSD level, for example, the SLI error percentage is three times higher than that produced by *PCCF*+. At the CT level (mostly in urban postal codes areas), the SLI did much better than at the CSD level, but the error percentage was still over 40% higher compared to *PCCF*+.

However, if the only objective is to assign codes as close as possible to the real census DA centroids (whether or not the population is distributed among all applicable areas), then the SLI method may be somewhat more accurate, at least beyond the 75<sup>th</sup> percentile of distance.

### WHERE TO GET HELP

## **Technical assistance**

Any technical problems noted with the functioning of these programs or suggestions for improvements to the programs or documentation should be addressed to Russell Wilkins, Health Analysis Division, Statistics Canada, RHC-24A, 100 Tunney's Pasture Driveway, Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0T6, telephone 1-613-951-5305, fax 1-613-951-3959, email russell.wilkins@statcan.gc.ca. If corresponding by email, be sure to include your telephone number and mailing address.

Canadian Vital Statistics and Cancer Registry users *only*: For copies of the control programs and/or provincial or regional subsets of the Canada files, or operational problems getting started using the programs, please contact Colette Brassard, Operations and Integration Division--Health, Statistics Canada, JT2-B20, Ottawa, Ontario K1A0T6; telephone 1-613-951-1850, fax 1-613-951-0709, email colette.brassard@statcan.gc.ca. Colette can also handle technical questions related to PC-SAS running under UNIX, DOS or Windows.

# Suspected problems with the PCCF or PCCF+

If you have identified possible errors in coding, please look at the SOURCE diagnostic code. If the SOURCE code is F, D or V you may have identified possible errors on the Postal Code Conversion File, so please report these to the Geography Division of Statistics Canada, which is responsible for the creation, maintenance and updates to the PCCF. Include a list of the postal codes which you find suspicious, the geography assigned by the PCCF, and an indication of the nature of the

problem (which fields appear to be wrong?). Contact the GeoHelp desk, Geography Division, Statistics Canada, JT3-B6, Ottawa, Ontario K1A0T6, telephone 1-613-951-3889, fax 1-613-951-0569, email geohelp@statcan.gc.ca.

If on the other hand the SOURCE code is C, I, 5, 4, 3, or 2, the problem is not with the PCCF itself, but rather with the supplementary files created by the Health Analysis Division. The same applies to problems with the RESFLG or diagnostic codes (LINK, SOURCE, NCSD, NCD, RPF, PREC, NADR, CODER, CPCCODE). For all such cases, contact Russell Wilkins at the address noted above.

### ADDITIONAL REFERENCE INFORMATION

### Acceptable characters and numbers in Canadian postal codes

The first character must be in A B C E G H J K L M N P R S T V X Y. The third and fifth characters may be any character valid for the first position, plus W and Z. The second, fourth and sixth positions may be any single numeric digit (0-9). Acceptable syntax does not guarantee that the postal code will be valid; many combinations have never been used. See Appendices F1, F2 and F3 for acceptable characters or combinations of characters in the first 1, 2 or 3 positions, respectively.

#### Filename extensions

The filename extensions have the following meaning:

CAN Canada

NF or NL Newfoundland and Labrador PE Prince Edward Island

NS Nova Scotia NB New Brunswick

QC Québec
ON Ontario
MB Manitoba
SK Saskatchewan
AB Alberta

BC British Columbia (including data for YT and NT)

YK or YT Yukon

NT Northwest Territories

NU Nunavut

ATL Atlantic region (NF NS PE NB)
PRA Prairie region (MB SK AB)

WES Western region (MB SK AB BC YT NT NU)

DOC Documentation (in MS Word format)

### **Abbreviations**

Some of the abbreviations used in this documentation and programs are as follows:

AIRLIFT Canada Post Air Stage community, requiring airlift delivery at least 6 months per year.

ANANAN Alpha numeric alpha numeric (format of Canadian postal codes)

AR Census agricultural region (short for PRAR)

BLKF Blockface (not identified except by latitude longitude and RPF)
BLKURB Urban block within CMACA area or non-CMACA area

CA Census agglomeration (included in CMA field)

CCHS Canadian Community Health Survey

CCS Census consolidated subdivision (short for PRCDCCS)
CD Census division (a county-level code; short for PRCD)
CMA Census metropolitan area (this field also includes CAs)
CODER PCCF+ program, version and release (eg, R5A=GEORES5A)

CPCCODE Canada Post community code (corresponding to a postal community name)

CSD Census subdivision (a municipal-level code; short for PRCDCSD)

CSDNAME Name of CSD (unique within province and CSDTYPE).

CSDTYPE Type of CSD.

CSIZE Community size code (based on 2006 CMACA population)

CT Census tract (a neighborhood-level code; unique within CMA)

DA Census dissemination area; also short for PRCDDA (replaces enumeration area for 2001)

DB or BLK Dissemination block; short for DByyuid (PRCDDA+BLK)
DIAG Diagnostic fields (in HLTHOUT and GEOPROB files)

DISTANCE Distance in km between two centroids (shortest or "great circle" distance)

DMTDIFF Previous DMT if different than current DMT.

DMT Delivery mode type (specified by Canada Post)

DPL Designated place (a sub-municipal level code used for unincorporated places; unique within PR)

DPLTYPE Designated place type.

EA Enumeration area (also short for PRFEDEA) EA96UID 1996 enumeration area (PRFEDEA for 1996).

ER Economic region (formerly "subprovincial region"), unique within PR.

FED Federal electoral district (unique within PR)

FSA Forward sortation area (first three characters of postal code)

GEOPROB SAS dataset name used for the output file containing all problem records

(including errors, warnings and notes)

GMETHOD Geocoding method used to build regular PCCF.

HLTHDAT SAS dataset name used for the incoming records to be coded HLTHOUT SAS dataset name used for the output records after processing HR Health region (as defined by provincial health departments)

ID Identifier (unique identifier or registration number, as defined by user)

INSTFLG Institutional flag

IPPE Neighbourhood income per person equivalent (based on 2006 DA summary data)

JCL Job control language (for mainframe computers)

LAT Latitude (North)

LDU Local delivery unit (last three characters of the postal code)

LL Latitude and longitude
LONG Longitude (West)
NSREL North-South relationship

OBS Observations (records in SAS dataset)

PCCF Postal Code Conversion File

PCODE Postal code

POINSTAL Postal installation geography flag.

PR Province and region

QAIPPE Quintile of neighbourhood income per person equivalent (within CMACA or residual)

QILEVEL Quality indicator of PCCF links to community (QICOMM), street (QISTREET) and address (QIADDR)

PREC Precision of geographic coding

PRCDDA Province, census division and dissemination area

PRFEDEA Province, federal electoral district, and enumeration area--latter not shown for 2001

RESFLG Residence flag

RPF Representative point flag (indicates if latitude longitude refer to DA, BLK or BLKF)

SACTYPE Statistical area classification type
SAS Statistical Analysis System
SERV Canada Post service type

SGC Standard Geographic Classification code (PR CD CSD) SOURCE Source of geographic codes assigned (C D F I 3 2 1 0 or .)

SLI Single link indicator (used mainly to avoid multiple matches when weights not used)

SUB Health district (as defined by provincial health departments) TRACTED If centroid is in a census tracted area, then TRACTED=1.

UARA Urban area, rural area code

WCF Weighted Conversion File (PCCF-style records with PRCDDA and population-based weights derived

from the 2006, 2001 and 1996 censuses, and household-based weights derived from the 1991 census)

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**Table 2**Distribution of postal codes and census population by delivery mode type (DMT), September 2002 PCCF and May 2001 Census.

	PCCF					F Census					
Delivery mode type (DMT)	I	Pcodes	F	Records	Rec/Pc	]	Pcodes Population		Pop/Pc		
	n	%	n	%	av	n	%	n	%	av	
Total	823,556	100.0	1,987,055	100.0	2.4	671,797	100.0	29,779,095	100.0	44	
Urban post office (PO)											
Urban services											
A (ordinary urban)	717,537	87.1	1,264,191	63.6	1.8	638,936	95.1	20,115,945	67.6	31	
B (apartments)	17,291	2.1	27,361	1.4	4.6	16,329	2.4	2,561,093	8.6	157	
E (business, etc)	9,193	1.1	25,003	1.3	2.7	2,364	0.4	28,803	0.1	12	
G (gov, inst, etc)	8,284	1.0	24,299	1.2	2.9	2,303	0.3	83,971	0.3	36	
M (single PO box)	5,052	0.6	19,690	1.0	3.9	900	0.1	16,438	0.1	18	
Rural services from urban PO											
H (rural route)	996	0.1	58,459	2.9	58.7	1,014	0.2	859,807	2.9	848	
J (general delivery)	645	0.1	2,425	0.1	3.8	282	0.0	3,311	0.0	12	
K (group of PO boxes)	7,239	0.9	31,681	1.6	4.4	4,402	0.7	231,686	0.8	53	
T (suburban service)	77	0.0	1,357	0.1	17.6	60	0.0	15,044	0.1	251	
X (mobile route)	1	0.0	62	0.0	62.0	1	0.0	179	0.0	179	
Z (retired)	52,064	6.3	203,759	10.3	3.9	15	0.0	282	0.0	19	
Rural post office											
W (rural PO, all service types)	5,177	0.6	328,768	16.5	63.5	5,191	0.8	5,862,536	19.7	1,129	

Note: PCCF Sept 2002. May 2001 census postal codes (with DMT from May 2001).

**Table 3**Comparison of population-based coding errors using *PCCF*+ Version 3 (GEORES3A) versus coding errors using the PCCF single link indicator (SLI), versus coding errors using FSA-based imputation (FSA)

Level		FSA %	SLI %	R3A %	Diff SLI-R3A	Ratio SLI/R3A	
PR	Province	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	1.00	
CD	Census Division	0.5	0.6	0.3	0.3	2.00	
CSD	Census Sub-division	4.7	9.4	3.2	6.2	2.94	
CMA	Census Metropolitan Area /Census Agglom.eration	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.2	2.00	
CT	Census Tract	11.6	2.7	1.9	0.8	1.42	
EA	Enumeration Area	41.8	33.6	15.8	17.8	2.13	
DPL	Designated Place – applicable areas only	30.3	50.9	20.0	30.9	2.55	

Note: Population-based coding errors were defined as the sum over all areas at this level of the absolute value of the population coded less the population known from the census sample, expressed as a percentage of the total population in all areas at this level. Based on simple 1% sample of individuals in the 1996 total population. Error percentages calculated after improbable census postal codes excluded from sample.

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# APPENDIX A: RECORD LAYOUT OF THE HLTHOUT FILE (.GEO)

```
DATA HLTHOUT; INFILE HLTHOUT;
TNPUT
          /* 2006 VINTAGE CENSUS GEOGRAPHY, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED
                $CHAR12./* RECORD IDENTIFICATION (AS INPUT)
  @ 1
       ID
  @13
       PCODE
                $CHAR6. /* POSTAL CODE (AS INPUT)
                $CHAR1. /* RESIDENCE FLAG ON PCODES IF DMT=E,G,M
 @19
      RESFLG
                $CHAR2. /* PROVINCE CODE (99=UNKNOWN)
 @20
      PR
                $CHAR2. /* CENSUS DIVISION CODE (00=UNKNOWN)
 @22
                $CHAR3. /* CENSUS SUBDIVISION CODE (999=UNKNOWN)
 @24
      CSD
                $CHAR3. /* CMA OR CA CODE (999=UNKN;000=NOT APPL )
 @28
      CMA
                $CHAR7. /* CENSUS TRACT (9999.99=UNKN; 0000.00=NA)
  @31
       CT
  @39 DA
                $CHAR4. /* DISSEMINATION AREA (9999=MISSING)
                $CHAR2. /* DISSEMINATION BLOCK (.9=MISSING)
  @43 BLK
  @45 INSTFLG $CHAR1. /* INSTITUTIONAL FLAG
                    Z8. /* LATITUDE DEGREES(2)+DECIMALS(6)
  @46 LAT
                    Z9. /* LONGITUDE DEGREES(3)+DECIMALS(6)
  @54
      LONG
  @64
      DPL
                $CHAR3. /* DESIGNATED PLACE (000=NOT APPL;999=UNKN)
                $CHAR1. /* PREVIOUS OR ALTERNATE DMT IF DIFFERENT
  @67
       DMTDIFF
                $CHAR1. /* DELIVERY MODE TYPE:
  @68
                $CHAR1. /* LINK TYPE (INCREASING CONFIDENCE)
  @69
      LINK
                $CHAR1. /* SOURCE OF GEOGRAPHIC CODES
 @70
      SOURCE
                     1. /* NUMBER CSD POSSIBLE AT THIS PCODE 1-9+
  @71
      NCSD
  @72 NCD
                     1. /* NUMBER CD POSSIBLE AT THIS PCODE 1-9+
                $CHAR1. /* REPRESENTATIVE POINT (CENTROID) FLAG
  @73 RPF
                $CHAR1. /* SERVICE TYPE
  @74
      SERV
  @75
                $CHAR1. /* PRECISION OF LAT LONG (0=LEAST;9=MOST)
     PREC
                     1. /* NUMBER OF ADDRESS RANGES FOR THIS PCODE
  @76 NADR
                $CHAR3. /* CODER: 'R4A'=GEORES4A SEPT 2002 PCCF
  @78 CODER
                $CHAR4. /* CANADA POST COMMUNITY CODE (SEQUENTIAL) */
  @82 CPCCODE
                $CHAR2. /* HEALTH REGION CODE (UNIQUE WITHIN PR)
  @87 HR
  @89
      SUB
                $CHAR3. /* HEALTH DISTRICT CODE (UNIQUE IN PR/PR+HR (QC ONLY)
                $CHAR1. /* COMMUNITY SIZE CODE (BASED ON CMACA 2001 POP)
  @93
      CSIZE
                $CHAR1. /* NEIGHBOURHOOD INCOME QUINTILE (WITHIN CMACA)
       QAIPPE
 @97
       SACTYPE
                $CHAR1. /* STATISTICAL AREA CLASSIF TYPE (INCL TRACTED, MIZ)
      CSIZEMIZ $CHAR1. /* URBAN CMACA SIZE + RURAL MIZ
  @98
                $CHAR1. /* NORTH-SOUTH RELATIONSHIP
 @99 NSREL
 @100 AIRLIFT $CHAR1. /* CANADA POST AIR STAGE COMMUNITY (6+ MONTHS/YEAR)
                $CHAR1. /* URBAN BLOCK INDICATOR (1=URBAN; 0=RURAL; 9=MISSING)*/
 @101 BLKURB
                $CHAR3. /* FEDERAL ELECTORAL DIST (UNIQUE IN PR)
 @103 FED
                $CHAR2. /* ECONOMIC REGION (UNIQUE WITHIN PR)
 @107 ER
 @110 AR
                $CHAR2. /* CENSUS AGRICULTURAL REGION (CROP DIST)-UNIQUE IN PR*/
                $CHAR3. /* CENSUS CONSOLIDATED SUBDIVISION (UNIQUE WITHIN PR)
 @113 CCS
 @117 POINSTAL $CHAR1. /* POSTAL INSTALLATION GEOGRAPHY FLAG (0=NO, 1=YES)
  @118 QILEVEL $CHAR3. /* QUALITY OF LINKS TO COMMUNITY, STREET AND ADDRESS
  @121 GMETHOD $CHAR1. /* GEOCODING METHOD USED TO BUILD REGULAR PCCF RECORD
  @123 EA81UID $CHAR8. /* 1981 ENUMERATION AREA (PRFEDEA)
  @132 EA86UID $CHAR8. /* 1986 ENUMERATION AREA (PRFEDEA)
                $CHAR8. /* 1991 ENUMERATION AREA (PRFEDEA)
  @141 EA91UID
                $CHAR8. /* 1996 ENUMERATION AREA (PRFEDEA)
  @150 EA96UID
  @159 DA01UID $CHAR8. /* 2001 DISSEMINATION AREA (PRCDDA)
  @168 DA06UID $CHAR8. /* 2006 DISSEMINATION AREA (PRCDDA)
/* THE FOLLOWING FIELDS APPLY TO ALTERNATE PROGRAMS R4XOLD 14XOLD ONLY:
  @177 BTHDATC $CHAR6. /* YYYYMM OF PCCF PCODE BIRTH DATE
  @184 RETDATEC $CHAR6. /* YYYYMM OF PCCF PCODE RETIREMENT DATE
  @191 PCVDATC $CHAR6.; /* YYYYMM OF USERS' PCODE VINTAGE
```

The dataset HLTHOUT is sorted first by ID, then by PCODE. If the incoming file HLTHDAT contains any records with identical ID+PCODE, only a single example of each combination will be processed. Then when the HLTHOUT records are merged back to the main file, every record with the same ID+PCODE will be assigned the same geographic codes, even if more than one set of geographic codes were possible for that postal code.

# APPENDIX B: RECORD LAYOUT OF THE GEOPROB FILE (.PRB)

```
DATA GEOPROB; SET GEOPROB; BY LINK; FILE GEOPROB;
PUT
               $CHAR12./* RECORD IDENTIFICATION (AS INPUT)
 @ 1 ID
 @ 13 PCODE
               $CHAR6. /* POSTAL CODE (AS INPUT)
@ 19 RESFLG
               $CHAR1. /* RESIDENCE FLAG ON PCODES IF DMT=E,G,M
@ 20 PR
               $CHAR2. /* PROVINCE CODE (99=UNKNOWN)
               $CHAR2. /* CENSUS DIVISION CODE (00=UNKNOWN)
@ 22 CD
               $CHAR3. /* CENSUS SUBDIVISION CODE (999=UNKNOWN)
@ 24 CSD
               $CHAR3. /* CMA OR CA CODE (999=UNKN;000=NOT APPL)
@ 28 CMA
               $CHAR7. /* CENSUS TRACT (9999.99=UNKN;0000.00=NA)
@ 31 CT
 @ 39 DA
               $CHAR4. /* DISSEMINATION AREA (9999=UNKNOWN)
 @ 43 BLK
               $CHAR2. /* DISSEMINATION BLOCK (00=UNKNOWN)
 @ 45 INSTFLG $CHAR1. /* INSTITUTIONAL FLAG
 /* NOTE: GEOPROB HAS DIFF LAYOUT FROM HLTHOUT BEGINNING WITH LAT
               $CHAR2. /* LATITUDE DEGREES(2)
@ 46 LAT
               $CHAR2. /* LONGITUDE DEGREES(3)/10=(2)
@ 48 LONG
               $CHAR2. /* HEALTH REGION CODE (UNIQUE WITHIN PR)
                                                                   * /
 @ 51 HR
 @ 53 SIJB
               $CHAR3. /* HLTH DIST CODE (UNIQUE IN PR /PR+HR(QC))*/
 @ 57 DPL
               $CHAR3. /* DESIGNATED PLACE (999=UNKN;000=NOT APPL)*/
               /* DIAGNOSTIC FLAGS:
              $CHAR1. /* PREVIOUS DMT IF DIFFERENT
                                                                   * /
@ 61 DMTDIFF
               $CHAR1. /* DELIVERY MODE TYPE
 @ 62 DMT
               $CHAR1. /* LINK TYPE
 @ 63 T.TNK
               $CHAR1. /* SOURCE OF GEOGRAPHIC CODES
 @ 64 SOURCE
               1.
                    /* NUM CSD POSSIBLE AT THIS PCODE/FSA/FSA12*/
                      /* NUM CD POSSIBLE AT THIS PCODE/FSA/FSA12
               $CHAR1. /* REPRESENTATIVE POINT (CENTROID) FLAG
 @ 67 RPF
               $CHAR1. /* SERVICE TYPE
                                                                   * /
 @ 68 SERV
               $CHAR1. /* PRECISION (0=LEAST;9=MOST)
 @ 69 PREC
                      /* NUMBER OF ADDRESS RANGES FOR THIS PCODE
 @ 70 NADR
               1.
 /* NO OTHER FIELDS OF HEALTHOUT PRESENT IN THE GEOPROB FILE
 /* FOLLOWING 3 FIELDS ONLY PRESENT IN GEOPROB FILE:
                                                                   * /
 @ 72 ADR
              $CHAR50. /* BLDG NAME, STREET ADR, CITY
                                                                   * /
 @123 CSDNAME $CHAR8. /* FIRST 8 CHARACTERS OF CSD NAME
@131 CSDTYPE $CHAR2.;/* CSDTYPE WITH '*' REPLACING TRAILING ' ' */
```

The dataset GEOPROB is sorted first by LINK, then by RESFLG, DMT (or DMTDIFF if DMT='Z'), PCODE, PR, CD, CSD, DA, BLK and ID. That ensures that records with similar types of problems will be grouped together, which will facilitate corrections.

# APPENDIX C: EXPLANATION OF FIELDS AND CODES APPEARING IN THE OUTPUT FILES AND PRINTOUTS

Except as noted, the following fields appear on both of the output files (HLTHOUT and GEOPROB) produced by *PCCF+*. When the same field appears on both files, it does *not* necessarily appear in the same position.

### Identification (ID)

```
@ 1 ID $CHAR12. /* ID OR REGIST NUMBER (AS INPUT) */
```

Record identification. This field will appear exactly as read in from the HLTHDAT file, including leading or trailing blanks, if any, plus all numbers, letters and special characters. The ID can be any combination of alphabetic, numeric or other characters.

### Postal Code (PCODE)

```
@ 13 PCODE $CHAR6. /* POSTAL CODE (ANANAN) */
```

Postal code. The first three characters of the postal code represent the Forward Sortation Area (FSA). The last three characters represent the Local Delivery Unit (LDU). A zero (0) in the second position of the postal code indicates service from a *rural* post office. Rural route services and suburban route services are also provided from *urban* post offices (where the second position of the postal code is <u>not</u> 0), in which cases the PCCF will show a Delivery Mode Type (DMT) of H (rural route service) or T (suburban route service).

Lower case alphabetic characters in the postal code field will be converted to upper case prior to matching.

If the province of residence is known (but nothing else), then the first letter of the postal code on your incoming file should correspond to the first letter for that province as assigned by Canada Post (for example, use B for a Nova Scotia resident of unknown address).

## Residence Flag on Postal Code if DMT is E, G or M (RESFLG)

If the delivery mode type (DMT)is E, G or M, then RESFLG indicates postal codes for possible or improbable residence addresses, or postal codes for which the residential or non-residential nature is undetermined. If the DMT is not in E, G or M, then RESFLG will be blank. See GEOPROB output (@72 ADR \$CHAR50.) for Canada Post building name and address information, if available.

## Province, Census Division and Census Subdivision (PRCDCSD)

This field is composed of three subfields:

The form of this field tells you how much is known, and how much is unknown about each of the three subfields. The output will have one of the following forms (where each "n" represents a number from 0 through 9):

```
nnnnnnn PR CD and CSD known
nnnn999 PR and CD known, CSD unknown
nn00999 PR known, CD and CSD unknown
9900999 PR CD and CSD unknown
```

See the 2006 Standard Geographical Classification (SGC) for lists of valid codes for PR PRCD and PRCDCSD. A missing CD is indicated by 00 (since 99 is a legitimate CD code in northern Quebec); other missing fields for SGC are filled with '9's. Files CDNAMES and CSDNAMES show the names of each CD and CSD.

### Census Metropolitan Area/Census Agglomeration and Census Tract (CMACT)

This field is composed of two subfields:

The form of this field tells you how much is known, and how much is unknown about each of the subfields. The output will have one of the following forms (where each "n" represents a number from 0 through 9):

```
000 000.00 Not in any CMA or CA
nnn nnn.nn
nnn 999.99 CMA/CA with urban Census Tract, but CT unknown
CMA/CA unknown, and CT unknown (if any)
```

Note that CMA codes 996-999 as shown in 2006 GeoSuite are not true CMA codes as defined by the 2006 Standard Geographic Classification, but rather Statistical Area Classification (SAC) codes, including Metropolitan Influence Zones (MIZ). Only true CMA codes are shown here, plus 999 for unknown CMA, and 000 for not in any CMA (or CA).

## Dissemination Area (DA)

```
@ 39 DA $CHAR4. /* DISSEMINATION AREA (UNIQUE WITHIN PRCD); 9999=MISSING */
```

The dissemination area is the smallest geographic unit for which population characteristics are diffused from the 2006 census. In censuses prior to 2001, that role was filled by the enumeration area, but for the 2001 and 2006 censuses, the enumeration area was used for collection purposes only.

# Dissemination Block (BLK)

```
@ 43 BLK $CHAR2. /* DISSEMINATION BLOCK (UNIQUE WITHIN PRCDDA); 00=MISSING */
```

A dissemination block is an area bounded on all sides by roads and/or boundaries of standard geographic areas. Blocks cover all the territory of Canada. The block is the smallest geographic area for which population and dwelling counts are disseminated. There may be as many as 99 blocks within a DA, so the missing value for block is a period.

# **Institutional Flag (INSTFLG)**

This field is used to help identify records likely to be for institutional residents. It is usually blank. The categories should not be expected to correspond to the classification of facilities used by the Health Statistics Division, provincial or territorial authorities.

Beginning with the following fields, the record layout of the GEOPROB file differs from that of the HLTHOUT file. Where fields are common to both files, only the layout for the HLTHOUT file is shown as program lines, although differences in the GEOPROB file may be mentioned in the field description and shown within square brackets.

## Latitude and longitude (LAT LONG)

```
@ 46 LAT Z8. /* LATITUDE DEGREES(2)+DECIMALS(6) */ [@ 46 LAT Z2. on GEOPROB file] @ 53 LONG Z9. /* LONGITUDE DEGREES(3)+DECIMALS(6) */ [@ 48 LONG Z2. on GEOPROB file]
```

Latitude and longitude. If SOURCE=F, D, C or I, then the latitude and longitude shown refer to dissemination area, block or blockface coordinates (the RPF field tells you which, and the PREC field indicates the spatial precision of the coding). If SOURCE=I, 3 or 2, then the latitude and longitude shown will be the average latitude and longitude of all postal codes in that FSA or aggregate of FSAs. The latter are clearly only approximate locations, so the corresponding distance calculations will also be only approximate. If the first two characters of the postal code were invalid, then latitude and longitude will be unknown, and each field will contain a single period ("."), which indicates a missing numerical value. Exceptionally for these two fields, 99999999 and 99999999 are not used to indicate missing values, since those would have been taken as legitimate values for the distance calculations, thus resulting in extreme distances, rather than missing distances. Note that in the GEOPROB file, in order to conserve space only two places after the implied decimal are shown.

## **Designated Place (DPL)**

```
@ 64 DPL $CHAR3. /* DESIGNATED PLACE (999=UNKN;000=NONE) */
[@ 57 DPL $CHAR3. on GEOPROB file]
```

The Designated Place (DPL) field is for a generally submunicipal level geography which was new with the 1996 census, and only applicable in some provinces. For 2006, a DPL is defined as a group of census blocks which refer to an unincorporated place usually within a single census subdivision (CSD), but some cross CSD boundaries, of which a few also cross census division (CD) boundaries. Note that because DPLs mostly occur in areas served by rural postal codes (where a single postal code serves a group of DAs and many census blocks), such areas are difficult or impossible to define with reasonable accuracy in terms of postal codes alone. File DPLNAMES shows the names of the DPLs assigned by provincial authorities.

## Diagnostic flags (DMTDIFF, DMT, LINK, SOURCE, NSCD, NCD, RPF, SERVE, PREC, NADR)

Note: There are now 10 characters (with no spaces between them) for diagnostic flags on both the HLTHOUT and GEOPROB files. These diagnostic flags are for DMTDIFF, DMT, LINK, SOURCE, NCSD, NCD, RPF, SERV, PREC and NADR. In addition, the GEOPROB file and printout will show truncated address information (if applicable), or Designated Place Name (if applicable), or Canada Post Community Name or Census Division Name, and Census Subdivision Name and Census Subdivision Type (if known or estimated from partial matching).

# **Different Delivery Mode Type (DMTDIFF)**

```
@ 67 DMTDIFF $1. /* PREVIOUS OR ALTERNATE DMT IF DIFFERENT */
[@ 61 DMTDIFF $1. on GEOPROB file]
```

This field is for the previous Delivery mode type (DMT) if different from the current DMT. This usually occurs when the current DMT=Z (retired).

### **Delivery Mode Type (DMT)**

```
@ 68 DMT $1. /* DELIVERY MODE TYPE */ [@ 62 DMT $1. on GEOPROB file]
```

The Delivery Mode Type is a single character which will be W if delivery is from a rural post office, or will be another alphabetic character if delivery is from an urban post office, or 9 if DMT is missing or not applicable. The Delivery Mode Type is determined by Canada Post, except that, beginning with Version 3 of PCCF+, W is always used in place of blank for any delivery mode from a rural post office.

- W Rural postal codes (regardless of type of service) now always have a DMT of W. Where more than 1 CSD is served by the rural post office, this will result in a Note to that effect on the GEOPROB file. No action is recommended in such cases, since manual coding would defeat the population-weighted allocation.
- A Ordinary household (including community mail boxes) served by letter carrier. The most common DMT; usually no problem.
- B Apartment building (large) served by letter carrier. No problem with this DMT.

- Business buildings served by letter carrier. This DMT results in a Warning message, with the suggestion to check postal code/address, to see if they refer to a legitimate residence or office location. In most cases, the RESFLG field will indicate whether the postal code is probable or improbable as a place of residence. The building name and brief address are shown on the GEOPROB file. The legitimacy of a postal code with this DMT may also depend on the nature of the records being coded: appropriate codes for offices are not necessarily appropriate for residences.
- Large Volume Receiver served by letter carrier (includes many institutions). This DMT results in a Warning message, with the suggestion to check postal code/address, to see if they refer to a legitimate residence or office location. In most cases, the RESFLG field will indicate whether the postal code is probable or improbable as a place of residence. The building, company or institution name and brief address will be shown on the GEOPROB file. The legitimacy of postal codes with this DMT may also depend on the nature of the records being coded: appropriate codes for offices are not necessarily appropriate for residences. For example, a postal code for a nursing home may be reasonable for coding the place of usual residence on a death record, but it would be highly suspicious on a birth record.

Special note concerning Delivery Mode Types H, J, K, M, R and T: Except on rare occasions, it is no longer necessary to manually recode records with a DMT of H (for rural route delivery from an urban post office), J (General Delivery-pick up from an urban post office counter), K (pick-up from group of urban post office boxes), or T (suburban service delivery from an urban post office). Most postal codes with those DMTs can now be assigned a full set of geographic codes by reference to the WCF (SOURCE=C). That also applies to many postal codes with DMT of M (pick up from a single large urban post office box) and R (miscellaneous services; no longer used by Canada Post).

- Rural route delivery from urban post office. For most rural routes, the WCF shows the 2006 Census 2A population weights associated with each PCODE/PRCDDA combination. As rural routes serve large areas, more than one CSD or CD may be linked to a postal code with this DMT, in which case the record will be output to the GEOPROB file with a Note to that effect. If the SOURCE is not equal to 'C', then only PR and CMA will be imputed from FSA, since the service area of these postal codes extends out into adjacent rural FSAs.
- J General delivery (poste restante). Residence location may be available from census data (WCF, SOURCE=C). Otherwise, this DMT will result in an Error, and the only geographic codes assigned would be based on population-weighted imputation within the FSA (SOURCE=I) or on "most likely" values for the FSA (SOURCE=3).
- K Group of post office boxes. Residence location may be available from census data (WCF). Otherwise, this DMT will result in an Error, and the only geographic codes assigned would be based on population-weighted imputation within the FSA (SOURCE=I) or on "most likely" values for the FSA (SOURCE=3).
- M Single post office box. If present on the WCF (SOURCE=C), will be fully coded. In most cases, the RESFLG field will indicate whether the postal code is probable or improbable as a place of residence. The building, company or institution name and brief address will be shown on the GEOPROB file. If not present on the WCF, postal codes with this DMT will result in an Error, since the PCCF only links postal codes with this DMT to post office location. In that case the only geographic codes which could be assigned would be imputed from population-weighted imputation within the FSA (SOURCE=I), or on based on "most likely" values for the FSA (SOURCE=3).
- R Miscellaneous delivery services. Residence location may be available from census data (WCF). Otherwise, this DMT will result in an Error, as the regular PCCF only links these to post office location, and the only geographic codes which could be assigned would be based on "most likely" values for the FSA. *DMT R is no longer used by Canada Post, but it may appear in the field for previous DMT.*
- Suburban service delivery (rare). Residence location may be available from census data (WCF). Otherwise, this DMT will result in an Error, as the regular PCCF only links these to post office location, and the only geographic codes which could be assigned would be based on "most likely" values for the FSA.

DMT=X is only linked to post office location, and thus results in an Error message as well as output to the GEOPROB file. However, since in such cases the first three characters of the postal code are known to be valid, then a "most likely" PR and CMA may often be imputed and an average LAT and LONG for the FSA would be assigned by the programs.

- X Mobile route (urban industrial areas; rare). This DMT will result in an Error, as the regular PCCF only links these to post office location, and the only geographic codes which could be assigned would be based on "most likely" values for the FSA.
- W Rural postal codes. Usually geography for records with rural postal codes will be derived from the Weighted Conversion File (SOURCE=C).

- Z Retired postal codes. Usually the DMTDIFF field will show the previous DMT for retired postal codes. If so, the LINK and other diagnostic codes make use of the DMTDIFF. However, if DMTDIFF is blank, then there is a slight chance that a currently retired postal code may have formerly had a DMT of E, G, M or X, so this condition will result in output of the record to the problem file with a Warning message to that effect.
- Not applicable. No exact match to the PCCF or WCF, hence DMT is unknown. These will result in an Error message as well as output to the GEOPROB file. A partial set of geographic codes may still be assigned based on the first 1, 2 or 3 characters of the postal code (SOURCE=1, 2, 3 or I).

## Link type code (LINK) - (formerly PROB prior to Version 4)

```
@ 69 LINK $1. /* LINK TYPE (INCREASING CONFIDENCE) */ [@ 63 LINK $1. on GEOPROB file]
```

The meanings of the numbers in this field are as follows:

- 0 Error: No match to PCCF (UNIQ, DUPS, or WCF).
- 1 Error: Linked to PO geography.
- Warning: Non-residential. DMT=E, G or M and EGMRES=- (probable non-residential).
- Warning: Business building (may possibly not be a legitimate residence). DMT=E and EGMRES=blank.
- 4 Warning: Commercial or institutional (check if legitimate residence). DMT=G or M and EGMRES=blank.
- Warning: Retired postal code (slight chance of DMT problem prior to retirement, if DMT=Z, and DMTDIFF=blank).
- Note: Multiple match to CSD. CSD assigned by random allocation among possible CSDs shown in PCCF, with equal weight to each DA or BLK served. No further action required.
- Note: Multiple match to CSD. CSD assigned by random allocation among possible CSDs shown in WCF, based on distribution of population by postal code and DA at the time of the 2001 census (no further action required).
- 9 Not applicable (no error, warning or note). Such records do not appear on the GEOPROB file or printout.

The link type code identifies the type of problems encountered in coding. The link type codes (LINK) and corresponding messages (MESSAGE) are arranged in hierarchical order, starting with 0 for the most serious problems, and going to 9 for no problem at all (not even a Warning or Note). If more than one type of problem was present, only the worst type is shown.

## **Source of Geographic Codes (SOURCE)**

```
@ 70 SOURCE $1. /* SOURCE OF GEOGRAPHIC CODES AND LAT/LONG */ [@ 64 SOURCE $1. on GEOPROB file]
```

The possible values of this field are as follows:

- F A full set of geographic codes and latitude/longitude were derived from an exact match to a PCCF unique record.
- D A full set of geographic codes and latitude/longitude were derived from an exact match to a PCCF duplicate record.
- C A full set of geographic codes and latitude/longitude were derived from an exact match to a WCF record (for DMT of H, J, K, some M, R, T, W, or Z).
- 5 Full geography was imputed from the first 5 characters of a postal code (when DMT=9), using census population weights.
- Full geography was imputed from the first 4 characters of a postal code (when DMT=9) , using census population weights.
- I Full geography was imputed from the first 3 characters of a postal code (when DMT=9 or most M), using census population weights.
- A partial set of geographic codes was assigned based on only the first 3 characters of this postal code (if 90% certain). Average latitude and longitude of the FSA were assigned.
- A partial set of geographic codes were assigned based on only the first 2 characters of this postal code. Average latitude and longitude of the FSA12 were assigned (if 90% certain). CT and DA+BLK always set to missing values. All of the records with this SOURCE are due to unknown (non-existent) postal codes.
- A province code was assigned based on only the first character of this postal code. No other geographic codes or latitude and longitude were assigned. All of the records with this SOURCE are due to unknown (non-existent) postal codes.
- The first character of this postal code is not in the set used for Canadian postal codes. No geographic codes assigned.
- V A full set of geographic codes and latitude/longitude were derived from an exact match to a PCCFUNIQ record for a postal code with an FSA of V1H or V9G, including geography from the period prior to the rebirth of those FSAs

in their new locations. This SOURCE only occurs where the program R5xOLD or I5xOLD is used to recode British Columbia FSAs which were moved by Canada Post.

### **Coding Completing Summary Code (CCSUM)**

In Versions 3, 4 and 5, this field is not present in either output file, but is calculated for frequency tables in the printouts. This field shows how many geographic codes were assigned. It is the sum over all of the coding completion variables, which each have a value of 1 if a given geographic code was assigned.

- 0 No geographic codes were assigned, or latitude and longitude.
- 1 One geographic code was assigned: a province code, with no latitude or longitude.
- 2 Two geographic codes were assigned: a province and Census Division or Census Metropolitan Area / Census Agglomeration code, plus an average latitude and longitude for the FSA or aggregate of FSAs.
- Three geographic codes were assigned: province, Census Division and Census Subdivision; or province, Census Division and Census Metropolitan Area or Census Agglomeration, plus an average latitude and longitude for the FSA or aggregate of FSAs.
- 4 Four geographic codes were assigned: province, Census Division, Census Subdivision, and Census Metropolitan Area or Census Agglomeration, plus an average latitude and longitude for the FSA or aggregate of FSAs.
- 6 Six geographic codes were assigned: province, Census Division, Census Subdivision, Census Metropolitan Area or Census Agglomeration, Census Tract (if applicable) and Dissemination Area, plus the latitude and longitude of the Dissemination Area.
- All 7 geographic codes were assigned: province, census division, census subdivision, census metropolitan area or census agglomeration, dissemination area, and census block, plus the latitude and longitude of the block or blockface.

### Number of Census Subdivisions (NCSD)

```
@ 71 NCSD 1. /* NUMBER CSD POSSIBLE AT THIS PCODE (1-9+) */ [@ 65 NCSD 1. on GEOPROB file]
```

This field indicates the number of Census Subdivisions served in whole or in part by this postal code. A value of 9 indicates 9 or more. Most urban postal codes serve only one Census Subdivision.

## Number of Census Divisions (NCD)

```
@ 72 NCD 1. /* NUMBER CD POSSIBLE AT THIS PCODE (1-9+) */ [@66 NCD 1. on GEOPROB file]
```

This field indicates the number of Census Divisions served in whole or in part by this postal code. A value of 9 indicates 9 or more. Most urban postal codes serve only one Census Division.

## Representative Point Flag (RPF)

## Service Type (SERV)

### Precision (PREC)

```
@ 75 PREC $1. /* PRECISION OF LAT LONG (0=LEAST;9=MOST)
                                                               */ [@69 PREC $1. on GEOPROB file]
                /* 9=1 BLKF
                               IN 1 DA; DMT IN (A B E G)
                /* 8=1
                        BLK
                                 IN 1 DA; DMT IN (A B E G)
                /* 7=1 DA;
                                          DMT IN (A B E G)
                /* 6=2+ DA'S;
                                          DMT IN (A B E G)
                /* ABOVE SERVICE POINTS < 200 M DIST
                   SO DA'S ADJACENT AND FEW
                /* 5=1+ DA'S; DMT IN (H-Z), FROM WCF POP WEIGHTS
                / \, ^{\star} \, 4=DA, ETC IMPUTED FROM 3, 4 OR 5 CHAR POP WTS
                /* 3=CODES IMPUTED FROM FSA
                                              W/OUT WT
                /* 2=CODES IMPUTED FROM FSA12 W/OUT WT
                /* 1=PR IMPUTED FROM FSA1
                /* 0=NO GEOGRAPHIC CODING POSSIBLE (NOT EVEN PR)
```

## Number of Address Ranges (NADR)

```
@ 76 NADR 1.;/* NUMBER ADRRESS RANGES FOR THIS PCODE (1-9+) */ [@70 NADR 1. on GEOPROB file]
```

This field indicates the number of address ranges served by this postal code. A value of 9 indicates 9 or more. The address ranges may be on different streets. Only the first or last address range (if applicable) is shown in the problem file output and printout

The following two fields (CODER and CPCCODE) are not present on the GEOPROB file:

### Coder (CODER)

```
@ 78 CODER $3. /* CODER: R5A=GEORES5A APR 2007 PCCF */ [ not on GEOPROB file]
```

The *PCCF*+ program and version is indicated by the CODER field. For example, CODER I5A indicates that the GEOINS program was run using the April 2007 vintage of the PCCF. Information about the coder is necessary for interpretation of the Canada Post Community Code (CPCCODE), and for understanding why certain categories of postal codes were coded the way they were. Using the wrong program to do the coding (GEORES for office coding, or GEOINS for residential coding—the opposite of what was intended) could easily go undetected without this field.

### Canada Post Community Code (CPCCODE)

Canada Post Communities were numbered sequentially after arranging in alphabetical order within provinces and territories. The numbering of communities will clearly change anytime there is an addition, deletion of a community, or change in spelling of a community name. That is why the CPCCODE can only be interpreted if correctly paired with the corresponding list of communities (see file PCCFYYMM.CPCOMM). For example, CODERs R5C and I5C use the community list of March 2008; the use of a list from any other month or year would be meaningless.

# **HR Health Region**

```
@ 87 HR $CHAR2. /* HEALTH REGION CODE (UNIQUE WITHIN PR) (99=MISSING) */ [@ 51 HR $CHAR2. on GEOPROB file]
```

Health regions are subprovincial areas defined by provincial departments of health. In some cases, those definitions may split dissemination areas or blocks between two or more health regions, but to simplify the coding here, each DA+BLK has been uniquely assigned to a single health region. Since each health region covers many DAs, most of which are not split, this simplification should have little effect on the number of events coded to each health region. The two-character HR code is only unique within a given province. Where a province only uses a single digit to represent a health region, a zero has been

added preceding that digit. Note that the definitions used were generally those in effect on 31 December 2007, but the definitions may be changed by provinces at any time, particularly in provinces without a long history of producing data by health region. See Appendix H1 for a summary of health regions by province and type, and Appendix H3 for a complete list of health regions. File HRNAM07 shows the name of each HR, including unofficial descriptive names for unnamed HRs.

### **Health District (SUB)**

```
@ 89 SUB $CHAR3. /* HEALTH DISTRICT CODE - UNIQUE WITHIN PR OR PR+HR (QC ONLY) */
[@ 53 SUB $CHAR3. on GEOPROB file] /* BLANK=NOT APPLICABLE; 999=APPLICABLE BUT MISSING */
```

Health districts are geographically-defined areas which are smaller than health regions. They are defined by several but not all provincial departments of health. In most but not all cases, health districts are subdivisions of health regions. In all cases, a health district code is only unique within a given province. In Quebec and Alberta, the health district (CLSC) code is only unique within the province and health region. Where a province uses only one or two characters to represent a health district, the second and/or third characters will be blank. See Appendix H2 for a summary of health districts by province and type, and Appendix H4 for a complete list of health districts. File Subnamo7 shows the name of each health district. Source: Same as for health regions. Alphabetic codes corresponding to Toronto Health Planning Areas (major and minor areas) have been appended as a suffix to Ontario health district code 95. The definitions for the latter were provided by the Toronto Public Health Department.

The following 5 fields are not present on the GEOPROB file:

## **Community Size (CSIZE)**

Community Size is defined in terms of the 2006 census population in each census metropolitan area or census agglomeration (CMA or CA), as shown above. Community Size 1 consists of Toronto, Montreal and Vancouver CMAs. Community Size 2 consists of Ottawa-Gatineau, Edmonton, Calgary, Québec, Winnipeg and Hamilton CMAs. Community Size 3 includes all 18 other CMAs plus 7 of the larger CAs. Community Size 4 includes all 106 other CAs. Community Size 5—"rural and small town Canada"--includes all places not included in any CMA or CA. (i.e., places with an urban area population less than about 10,000, plus rural areas). Note that the lower threshold of CSIZE=1 has been increased, since Ottawa-Hull is much closer in size to Edmonton and Calgary than to Montreal, Vancouver or Toronto.

Note that almost all records with a valid FSA (whether or not the rest of the postal code is valid) can be assigned to a CMA or CA, and thus to a CSIZE category. According to Statistics Canada's recommended definition, rural and small town Canada (Plessis et al, 2001) is defined as CSIZE='5'.

# Neighbourhood Income Quintile (QAIPPE)

```
@ 95 QAIPPE $1. /* 2006 NEIGHBOURHOOD INCOME QUINTILE (WITHIN CMACA): */

[not present on GEOPROB file]

/* 1=LOWEST INCOME QUINTILE */

/* 5=HIGHEST INCOME QUINTILE */

/* 9=MISSING */
```

Neighbourhood income per person equivalent (IPPE) is a household size-adjusted measure of household income, based on 2006 census summary data at the DA level, and using person-equivalents implied by the 2006 low income cut-offs (LICOs). Note that the 2001 single person equivalents were 1.00 for 1 person, 1.25 for 2 persons, 1.55 for 3 persons, 1.95 for 4 or 5 persons, and 2.44 for 6 or more persons sharing the same household (regardless of age). For a description of how IPPE was calculated previously based on 1991 census summary data and single-person equivalents from the 1991 LICOs, see Ng et al. (1993).

Within each CMA, CA or provincial residual area not in any CMA or CA, the DA average IPPE was used to rank all DAs, and then the population was divided into approximate fifths, thus creating community-specific income quintiles based on IPPE. The quintiles were defined within each area in order to better reflect the relative nature of this measure, to minimize the

effect on household welfare of large differences in housing costs, and to ensure that each CMA or CA would have about an equal percentage of the population in each income quintile.

The following five fields are new beginning with Version 4:

### Statistical Area Classification Type (SACTYPE)

```
      @97 SACTYPE
      $1. /* STATISTICAL AREA CLASSIFICATION TYPE
      */

      /* 1=CENSUS METROPOLITAN AREA
      */

      /* 2=TRACTED CENSUS AGGLOMERATION
      */

      /* 3=NON-TRACTED CENSUS AGGLOMERATION
      */

      /* 4=NON-CMACA, STRONG CMACA INFLUENCE
      */

      /* 5=NON-CMACA, MODERATE CMACA INFLUENCE
      */

      /* 6=NON-CMACA, WEAK CMACA INFLUENCE
      */

      /* 7=NON-CMACA, NO CMACA INFLUENCE
      */

      /* 8=NON-CMACA, TERRITORIES
      */

      /* 9=NON-CMACA, CMACA INFLUENCE UNKNOWN
      */

      /* .=MISSING SACTYPE
      */
```

In census metropolitan areas and census agglomerations, the Statistical Area Type is defined by characteristics of the CMACA. In areas outside of any census metropolitan area or census agglomeration, the Statistical Area Type is defined by characteristics of the census subdivision, based on commuting flows to work in census metropolitan areas or census agglomerations (metropolitan influence zone or MIZ). For more details, see the following source: McNiven C, Puderer H, Janes D. *Census Metropolitan Area and Census Agglomeration Influence Zones (MIZ): A Description of the Methodology*. Geography Working Paper Series No. 2000-2. Catalogue No. 92F0138MPE. Ottawa: Geography Division, Statistics Canada, 2000.

## Community Size and Metropolitan Influence Zone (CSIZEMIZ)

This variable is a combination of the CSIZE variable for urban areas, and of the SACTYPE variable for rural areas. See the definitions of each for more information.

## North-South Relationship (NSREL)

The North-South relationship classification (NSREL) is described in the following source: McNiven C, Puderer H. *Delineation of Canada's North: An examination of the North-South relationship in Canada*. Geography Working Paper Series No. 2000-3. Catalogue No. 92F0138MPE. Ottawa: Geography Division, Statistics Canada, 2000. For *PCCF+*, NSREL is determined by the 1996 census subdivision code.

### Canada Post Air Stage Community (AIRLIFT)

```
@100 AIRLIFT $CHAR1. /* *=CANADA POST AGE STAGE COMMUNITY (6+ MONTHS/YEAR) */
```

"An Air Stage Office is a Post Office to or from which all mail must be airlifted for more than six (6) months of every year as a viable surface transportation alternative is not available. These offices are generally confined to remote or isolated communities. An office designated an Air Stage Office is deemed to be Air Stage for the whole year." http://www.canadapost.ca/tools/pg/manual/PGairstage-e.asp (Last updated: 2007-09-17)

### **Urban Block Flag (BLKURB)**

Use of this field is not recommended, because coding to block in areas served by rural postal services is always imputed from a randomly selected dissemination area, based on population weights for each block served, so classification of such blocks as urban or rural is only probabilistic. Classification based on urban postal codes is much more certain, as the specific block is almost always known with much greater certainty. This field is defined as follows: IF UARA GE 9910 THEN BLKURB=0; ELSE IF UARA NE . THEN BLKURB=1; For geography based on postal codes, a far more robust definition is Statistics Canada's recommended definition of "rural and small town Canada" (Plessis et al, 2001) -- where CSIZE='5' (all non-CMACA).

### Federal Electoral District -- 2003 Representation Order (FED)

```
@ 103 FED $CHAR3. /* FEDERAL ELECTORAL DISTRICT, 2003 LIST */
```

A Federal Electoral District is the area represented by member of the House of Commons. The Federal Electoral Districts used for the 2006 Census were based on the 2003 Representation Order (list). If missing, FED will be set to 999. If an exact match to the PCCF was not possible, but the postal code indicated an urban FSA, then the FED may have been imputed proportionally to the population using that FSA (SOURCE=I). Otherwise (when SOURCE=3, 2 or 1), the FED will be 999. File FEDNAMES shows the official name of each FED.

# **Economic Region (ER)**

```
@107 ER $2. /* ECONOMIC REGION (UNIQUE WITHIN PR) */
```

An economic region (formerly "subprovincial region") is a collection of complete census divisions (except for one CD in Ontario which is split between 2 ERs) which is used for analysis of regional economic activity. The Ontario CD of Halton (3524) is split between the ER of Hamilton-Niagara Peninsula and the ER of Toronto. The ER code is only unique within a given province or territory. File ERNAMES shows the name of each ER.

### Census Agricultural Region (AR) or Crop District

```
@ 110 AR $CHAR2. /* CENSUS AGRICULTURAL REGION (CROP DISTRICT)-UNIQUE IN PR */
/* 00=TERRITORIES; 99=MISSING BUT APPLICABLE */
```

Census agricultural regions are used by the Census of Agriculture for disseminating agricultural statistics. ARs are composed of groups of adjacent census divisions, except in Saskatchewan, where they are composed of groups of adjacent census consolidated subdivisions (CCS) not respecting census division boundaries. ARs are not defined for the territories. The AR code is unique only when preceded by the province code. File ARNAMES shows the name of each AR, including unofficial descriptive names for otherwise unnamed ARs.

### **Census Consolidated Subdivision (CCS)**

```
@ 113 CCS $CHAR3. /* CENSUS CONSOLIDATED SUBDIVISION--UNIQUE IN PR (999=MISSING)*/
```

CCSs are composed of groups of adjacent census subdivisions within the same census division. The CCS code is unique only when preceded by the province and census division codes. File CCSNAMES shows the name of each CCS, which is the same as that of its largest CSD.

#### Postal Installation Geography Flag (POINSTAL)

```
@117 POINSTAL $CHAR1. /* POSTAL INSTALLATION GEOGRAPHY FLAG (0=NO, 1=YES, 2=UNKN) */ Quality indicators for PCCF links at each of three levels (QICOMM, QISTREET, QIADDR):
```

#### Quality Indicator for PCCF Link to Community (QICOMM)

```
@118 QICOMM $1. /* QUALITY INDICATOR FOR PCCF LINK TO COMMUNITY */
/* A=VERY GOOD, B=GOOD, C=FAIR, N=NO MATCH, U=UNKNOWN */
```

#### **Quality Indicator for PCCF Link to Street (QISTREET)**

# Quality Indicator for PCCF Link to Address Range (QIADDR)

```
@120 QIADDR $1. /* QUALITY INDICATOR FOR PCCF LINK TO ADDRESS RANGE */
    /* A=VERY GOOD, B=GOOD, C=FAIR, N=NO MATCH, U=UNKNOWN */
```

#### Geocoding Method Used to Build Regular PCCF Record (GMETHOD)

#### 1981 Enumeration Area (EA81UID)

```
@ 123 EA96UID $CHAR8. /* 1981 ENUMERATION AREA = PR(2)+FED(3)+EA(3) */
```

This field shows the 1981 enumeration area (PRFEDEA), based on the 2006 dissemination block to 1981 enumeration area correspondence file.

#### 1986 Enumeration Area (EA86UID)

```
@ 132 EA86UID $CHAR8. /* 1986 ENUMERATION AREA = PR(2)+FED(3)+EA(3) */
```

This field shows the 1986 enumeration area (PRFEDEA), based on the 2006 dissemination block to 1986 enumeration area correspondence file.

#### 1991 Enumeration Area (EA91UID)

```
@ 141 EA91UID $CHAR8. /* 1991 ENUMERATION AREA = PR(2)+FED(3)+EA(3) */
```

This field shows the 1991 enumeration area (PRFEDEA), based on the 2006 dissemination block to 1991 enumeration area correspondence file.

#### 1996 Enumeration Area (EA96UID)

```
@ 150 EA96UID $CHAR8. /* 1996 ENUMERATION AREA = PR(2)+FED(3)+EA(3) */
```

This field shows the 1996 enumeration area (PRFEDEA), based on the 2006 dissemination block to 1996 enumeration area correspondence file.

## 2001 Dissemination Area (DA01UID)

```
@ 159 DA01UID $char8. /* 2001 DISSEMINATION AREA (PRCDDA) */
```

#### 2006 Dissemination Area (DA61UID)

```
@ 168 DA01UID $char8. /* 2006 DISSEMINATION AREA (PRCDDA) */
```

The following three fields (ADR, CSDNAME, CSDTYPE) are not present on the HLTHOUT file, they only appear on the GEOPROB file:

#### **Building Name and Address (ADR)**

```
@ 72 ADR $50. /* BLDG NAME (IF APPL), STREET ADR, CITY */ [only on GEOPROB file]
```

This field shows either (1) a somewhat abbreviated building name (if applicable), plus a street address and Canada Post community name (if available), or (2) a designated place name (if applicable) followed by the designated place type within parentheses, followed by a space plus the Canada Post community name (if available), followed by a colon (:) plus an abbreviated census division name and type code (if available), or (3) the Canada Post community name (if available), followed by a colon, plus an abbreviated census division name and type code. The contents of this field are intended to provide the most useful written description of the exact location which can be shown more or less readably in 50 spaces. *This field only applies to problem records; it is not shown on the HLTHOUT file or printout.* 

With respect to Canada Post community names, note that the service areas of postal communities are defined by Canada Post with little regard for municipal boundaries established by local authorities, and that is frequently a source of confusion for geographic coding. Also, many smaller rural municipalities have no post office of their own, so those municipal names will appear only rarely in mailing addresses.

The census division name (if present) shows the first 16 characters of the alphabetic name corresponding to the PRCD code of the *Standard Geographical Classification*, plus a space, followed by the 3-character CSDTYPE. If the CD field is missing (00), the 20 characters immediately following the colon will be blank. If a building name and address plus Canada Post community name are shown, then no census division name and type will be shown.

#### Census Subdivision Name (CSDNAME)

```
@123 CSDNAME $CHAR8. /* FIRST 8 CHAR OF CSD NAME */ [only on GEOPROB file]
```

This field contains the first 8 characters of the Census Subdivision Name. If the Census Subdivision (the last three positions of the PRCDCSD field) is missing (999), then the CSDNAME field will be blank. A truncated version of the CSDNAME field is shown only on the GEOPROB file and printout; it does not appear on the HLTHOUT file or printout. See file CSDNAMES for the complete name and corresponding CSDTYPE.

#### Census Subdivision Type (CSDTYPE)

```
@131 CSDTYPE $2. /* CSD TYPE WITH * REPLACING TRAILING BLANK */ [only on GEOPROB file]
```

This field contains a one or two character abbreviation of the Census Subdivision Type. To facilitate uploading and downloading, if the second (and last) character of this field is blank, the blank will be replaced by an asterisk in order to ensure that every record will be of the same fixed length. (Uploading and downloading utility programs frequently delete trailing blanks, which would otherwise produce variable record lengths for successive records. The asterisk at the end of each record ensures that this won't happen. This field is shown only on the GEOPROB file and printout; it does not appear on the HLTHOUT file or printout.

# **Distance (DISTANCE)**

This field shows the distance (in km) from the latitude and longitude centroid of the Montreal Children's Hospital to the centroid of the HLTHOUT record. If latitude and longitude of the HLTHOUT record could not be determined (that is, if their values were "."), then DISTANCE will be missing (indicated by a single period ("."). *This field appears only on the printout of the HLTHOUT dataset. It is not written to the corresponding file*, since DISTANCE was calculated merely as an illustration of how the latitude and longitude information can be used. For more details on the use of latitude and longitude for the calculation of distances using the PCCF, see Ng E and Wilkins R, How far is it to the nearest hospital? *Health Reports* 1993;5(2):157-177. A SAS program for calculating distances from each record in one file to the record for the record with the closest latitude and longitude on another file is included (DIST5X.SAS): see Appendix K.

#### Message (MESSAGE)

A brief explanatory message corresponding to the link type code (LINK) appears in the summary table and on the GEOPROB printout only; it does not appear in the GEOPROB or HLTHOUT files.

```
/* BRIEF MESSAGE DESCRIBING PROBLEM */

0 'ERROR: NO MATCH TO PCCF----CHECK PCODE/ADDRESS &OR CODE MANUALLY';

1 'ERROR: LINKED TO PO GEOG---CODE MANUALLY IF RESID ADD AVAILABLE';

2 'WARNING: NON-RESIDENTIAL-----CHECK PCODE/ADDRESS (LEGITIMATE RES?) ';
```

```
3 'WARNING: BUSINESS BLDG------CHECK PCODE/ADDRESS (LEGITIMATE RES?)';
4 'WARNING: COMMERC/INSTITU----CHECK PCODE/ADDRESS (LEGITIMATE RES?)';
5 'WARNING: RETIRED PCODE------CHECK PCODE/ADDRESS IF OLD DMT UNKNOWN';
6 'NOTE: MULT MATCH TO CSD---DISTRIBUTED AMONG APPLIC DA/BLK/BLKFACE';
7 'NOTE: MULT MATCH TO CSD---DISTRIBUTED BY POP WEIGHTS OBSERVED';
9 'NO PROB (ERR, WARN, NOTE)-----NO ACTION REQUIRED';
```

The link type codes (LINKs) and corresponding messages (MESSAGEs) are arranged in hierarchical order, starting with 0 for the most serious problems, and going to 9 for no problem at all (not even a warning or note). If more than one type of problem was present, only the worst type is shown. The "no problem" message only appears on the summary table, since records with no problems (error, warning or note) are not part of the GEOPROB file or printout.

The following three fields are only present on the output from R5xOLD and I5xOLD, which are used with older data for assigning geographic codes to British Columbia FSAs which have now been moved by Canada Post:

#### Birth date of postal code as used in this location (BTHDATC)

```
@177 BTHDATEC $CHAR6. /* YYYYMM OF BIRTH DATE OF PCCF PCODE */
[only present on OLDCODES and HLTHOUT2 files produced by R5xOLD or I5xOLD]
```

## Retirement date of postal code as used in this location (RETDATC)

```
@184 TDATEC $CHAR6. /* YYYYMM OF RETIREMENT DATE OF PCCF PCODE */
[only present on OLDCODES and HLTHOUT2 files produced by R5xOLD or I5xOLD]
```

#### Postal code vintage (PCVDATC)—for alternate programs R5xOLD, I5xOLD only

```
@191 VDATC $CHAR6. /* YYYYMM OF USER'S POSTAL CODE VINTAGE (AT THIS LOCATION) */
[from user input and written to OLDCODES and HLTHOUT2 files produced by R5xOLD or I5xOLD]
```

In this context, vintage refers to the year and month when the user's postal code was reported or generated (looked up). In most cases, the date of the event will be a reasonable proxy for the vintage of the postal code on the user's file. However, if postal codes were missing when the data were collected, and subsequently looked up or generated (manually or by computer), then the vintage of the postal code may be months or even years later than the date of the event. Note that it is common for retired postal codes to remain in use for many months or even years after their retirement by Canada Post. However, it is safe to assume that newly created postal codes are not reported until after the postal code birth date indicated by Canada Post.

This field is created by user input and is only present in the OLCODES and HLTHOUT2 files produced by the supplemental programs R5x and I5OLD which are used to assign the old geographic coding to British Columbia FSAs V1H and V9G. Postal codes with those two FSAs were first retired and then subsequently moved and reused by Canada Post. V1H was moved about 400km south beginning 1 July 1997, while V9G was moved about 100km south beginning 1 April 1999. Beginning with Version 3E, the regular programs GEORES3x and GEOINS3x print a warning if your data contain either of the two FSAs which were moved. If your data do not include postal codes with those FSAs, or if your data only contains postal codes of vintage April 1999 or later, then use of the alternate programs is unnecessary and will have no effect on the coding produced by the regular programs GEORES5x and GEOINS5x.

# APPENDIX D: SAMPLE OUTPUTS FROM THE PCCF+ PACKAGE

# Summary table of results of the automated geographic coding

SUMMARY OF AUTOMATED CODING RESULTS USING GEOCODES/PCCF VERSION 5

RECORDS	PERCENT	PROB MESSAGE ACTION
3996	100.00	TOTAL RECORDS INPUT FROM HLTHDAT (ID + PCODE)
131	3.28	0 ERROR: NO MATCH TO PCCFCHECK PCODE/ADDRESS &OR CODE MANUALLY
5	0.13	1 ERROR: LINKED TO PO GEOGCODE MANUALLY IF RESID ADD AVAILABLE
3	0.08	2 WARNING: NON-RESIDENTIALCHECK PCODE/ADDRESS (LEGITIMATE RES?)
3	0.08	3 WARNING: BUSINESS BLDGCHECK PCODE/ADDRESS (LEGITIMATE RES?)
241	6.03	4 WARNING: COMMERC/INSTITUCHECK PCODE/ADDRESS (LEGITIMATE RES?)
65	1.63	5 WARNING: RETIRED PCODECHECK PCODE/ADDRESS IF OLD DMT UNKNOWN
1	0.03	6 NOTE: MULT MATCH CSD-PCCF-DISTRIBUTED AMONG APPLIC DA/BLK/BLKF
535	13.39	7 NOTE: MULT MATCH CSD-WCFDISTRIBUTED BY POP WEIGHTS OBSERVED
3012	75.38	9 NO PROB (ERR, WARN, NOTE) NO ACTION REQUIRED
8	0.20	NOT CODED AT ALL
39	0.98	PARTIALLY CODED TO PR ONLY
2	0.05	PARTIALLY CODED TO PR + (CD OR CMA) & APPROX LAT LONG
12	0.30	PARTIALLY CODED TO PR+CD+CMAAND APPROX LAT LONG
8	0.20	PARTIALLY CODED TO PR+CD+CMA+CSDAND APPROX LAT LONG
3927	98.27	FULLY CODED TO PR+CD+CMA+CSD+CT+BLKAND DA/BLK/BLKFACE LAT LONG

# Sample output from the HLTHOUT dataset

GEOCODES/PCCF VERSION 5 -- SAMPLE OUTPUT FROM THE HLTHOUT DATASET (.GEO FILE)

											· – – – ·										
ID	PCODE	PRCDCSD			DABLK		LONG		DIAG				~							EA96UID	
1304183010	H1A5H8	2466025	462	580.03	000601	4568992	5073486893	000	A9D111172	R5C	3297	06302	1 3	11s	1	044	40	06	025	24045417	24660006
1304183033																					
							0071245151							-							
							4071240870														
1304183632							7072500828														
1304184533							3075735348														
1304185031							9071329615														
1304185033							5071370318														
1601001210							9078879882														
1601001210							3079851251														
1601002733							6097090500							-						46008417	
							0097030300													46009208	
1601003431							3089226888							-							
1601007832							4089235996														
1601009010							3079471415							-							
1601009033							8079462540														
1601010231							2076533691														
1601011533							1079654532														
1601011910							4104031461													47002573	
							7079821521							-							
1601016133							1079253296														
1601017132							2079679190														
1601017421							4082365802														
1601017633							8079342406														
1601017910							3080574625														
1601018131	N6G2E5	3539036	555	044.04	035003	4300692	2081306309	000	A9D11117.	R5C	5038	0244	3 3	13S	1	044	60	01	036	35045463	35390350
1601019332	L5G1J8	3521005	535	540.01	037901	4355341	3079585884	000	B9F111191	R5C	5131	0653	1 1	11S	1	048	30	02	005	35048068	35210379
1601019721	R2K0V9	4611040	602	133.00	070502	4992759	0097100976	000	A9F111191	R5C	6254	10	2 2	12S	1	014	50	09	040	46014203	46110705
1601020010	M4E3M6	3520005	535	022.00	379901	4367929	4079286660	000	A9D11117.	R5C	5589	0795K	1 5	11S	1	003	30	03	005	35002068	35203799
1601020131	T7P1A3	4813031	000	000.00	004620	5416482	2113845804	000	A9F112181	R5C	7746	7602	5 4	67R	1	001	70	06	028	48001057	48130230
1601020432	N4G4T7	3532004	546	000.00	007010	4287684	6080729595	000	B9F112181	R5C	5582	0252	4 4	34S	1	063	60	01	012	35062064	35320274
1601020610	M1C1K9	3520005	535	362.02	374701	4378535	1079167697	000	A9D11116.	R5C	5427	0995M	1 4	11S	1	075	30	03	005	35077053	35203747
1601025533	T5H2X1	4811061	835	046.00	020303	5355067	8113501115	000	A9F111191	R5C	7265	6504	2 1	12R	1	015	60	05	061	48012253	48110203
1601026631	K1V9K4	3506008	505	002.05	087501	4534707	4075665245	000	B9F111191	R5C	5256	1151	2 3	12S	1	060	10	04	800	35059014	35060875
1601027832	S4V0G7	4706027	705	008.02	019701	5043225	1104564832	000	A9D11117.	R5C	6848	04	3 5	13S	1	013	10	2В	027	47007161	47060197
1601028831							9082365165						4 2	24S	1	071	70	01	030	35072208	35380159
1601028832	N7T6J8	3538030	562	008.00	019504	4298217	2082396827	000	A9F111191	R5C	5418	0142	4 2	24S	1	071	70	01	030	35072164	35380195
1601029531							0112881944													48017419	
1601030710							5079661365													35049405	
1601030710							5079626646							-						35047113	
							6079851089													35032002	
1601031231							9077093184							-							
							5097093590													46014208	
1601035633														-						46014003	

```
Sample printout from the GEOPROB dataset (.GEO) GEOCODES/PCCF VERSION 5
                                  PARTIAL PRINT OF GEOPROB FILE (ERRORS & WARNINGS, BUT NO NOTES)
                              DABLK LL HRSUB DPL DIAG BLDG NAME,ADR(CPCOMM:CMA/DPL):CDNAME
         PCODE PRCDCSD CMA CT
                                                                                                  CDTYP CSDNAME TY
______
0 ERROR: NO MATCH TO PCCF---CHECK PCODE/ADDRESS &OR CODE MANUALLY
1202050810 A1X5J7 1001485 001 301.02 013501 4705 01
                                               000 90I31994. St. John's CMA
                                                                                       :Avalon Peninsul DIV CONCEPTIT*
1201026310 B2M5B3 1200999 999 999.99 999900 4506 99 999 902..892.
                                                                                      :
1302025710 G0K2K0 2410005 000 000.00 007009 4806 01 000 901949949 NOT CMACA
                                                                                    :Rimouski-Neiget MRC ESPRIT-SM*
1301031010 H9G3X9 2466140 462 521.01 235801 4507 06 000 90I31994. Montréal CMA
                                                                                    :Montréal CU DOLLARD-V*
1602451310 K7K2T0 3510010 521 008.00 018405 4407 0241 000 90111994. Kingston CMA
                                                                                    :Frontenac CTY KINGSTONC*
                                                                                      :Toronto DIV TORONTO C*
:Winnipeg DIV WINNIPEGC*
1604153110 M3Y4A1 3520005 535 999.99 999900 4307 99999 999 902..892. Toronto CMA
1802106710 V1S4X1 5933042 925 006.00 004302 5012 14 000 90I21994. Winnipeg CMA 1802068310 V4T4J5 5935027 915 102 02 015502 4011 12 135 200.00
                                                                                      :Thompson-Nicola RD KAMLOOPSC*
1802068310 V4T4J5 5935027 915 102.02 015502 4911 13 175 90141994. Kelowna CA1:Westbank (UNP) :Central Okanaga RD CENTRAL RD
1803049810 V9C5T3 5917044 935 154.02 048004 4812 41 000 90I51994. Victoria CMA
                                                                                      :Capital RD LANGFORDDM
_____
1 ERROR: LINKED TO PO GEOG--CODE MANUALLY IF RESID ADD AVAILABLE
______
1604055531 R4J1A1 4611999 602 999.99 999900 4909 99 000 JZ1122824. HEADINGLEY: Winnipeg CMA : Winnipeg
1201059710 A1X4G9 1001999 001 999.99 999900 4705 99 000 K1I318341 BOX 18001:18060 STN MAIN UPPER GULLIES
2 WARNING: NON-RESIDENTIAL PCODE--CHECK PCODE/ADDRESS (LEGIT RES?)
1304154932 H3L1B9-2400999 462 999.99 999900 . . 99 999 E2F119191 CENTRE MEDICAL HENRI-BOURASSA 222 HENRI-BOURA MONT
1603422510 L4C9S7-3500999 535 999.99 999900 ... 99999 999 E2F119191 BUSINESS BUILDING 120 NEWKIRK RD RICHMOND HILL
1602226510 T2S2T6-4800999 825 999.99 999900 ... 99 999 E2F119191 FOODVALE OFFICE COMPLEX 5005 ELBOW DR SW CALGARY
1601088310 T5N4A3-4800999 835 999.99 999900 . . 99 999 E2F119191 PEOPLES TRUST PLAZA 10216 124 ST NW EDMONTON
1302161110 H3N2Y1-2400999 462 999.99 999900 . . 99 999 G2F119191 VIDEOTRON LTEE 405 OGILVY AV 200 MONTREAL
1804030033 V2A5A9-5900999 913 000.00 999900 ... 99 999 G2D119171 CITY OF PENTICTON 171 MAIN ST PENTICTON
______
3 WARNING: BUSINESS BLDG----CHECK PCODE/ADDRESS (LEGITIMATE RES?)
1604118533 L6Y2N4@3521010 535 572.05 020201 4307 0653 000 E3F111191 APARTMENT BLDG 430 MCMURCHY AVE S BRAMPTON
                                                                                                         BRAMPTONC*
1604503732 T5H4B9@4811061 835 046.00 020808 5311 25 000 E3F111191 HYS MEDICAL CENTRE 11010 101 ST NW EDMONTON
                                                                                                        EDMONTONC*
______
4 WARNING: COMMERC/INSTITU--CHECK PCODE/ADDRESS (LEGITIMATE RES?)
______
1801082533 V5G4J3?5915025 933 230.01 139201 4912 22
                                               000 BG4F111191 BRITISH COLUMBIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY 4200 BURN BURNABY C*
1202190833 A1B1S5@1001519 001 013.00 025301 4705 01 000 G4F111191 ST PATRICKS MERCY HOME 146 ELIZABETH AVE ST. JOHN' ST. JOHNC*
1202154133 A2A2E1@1006017 010 000.00 003010 4805 03
                                               000 G4D112171 CENTRAL NEWFOUNDLAND REGIONAL HEALTH CENTRE 5 GRAN GRAND FAT*
1303089633 H2C3H6@2466025 462 277.00 265801 4507 06 000 G4F111191 LES RESIDENCES LAURENDEAU, LEGARE, LOUVAIN 1725 MONT MONTRÉALV*
1603169333 M1H3A1@3520005 535 356.00 361001 4307 0495N 000 G4F111191 CEDARBROOK LODGE 520 MARKHAM RD SCARBOROUGH
1602154410 M9W4L3@3520005 535 246.00 184101 4307 0495A 000 G4F111191 KIPLING ACRES HOME FOR THE AGED 2233 KIPLING ETOBI TORONTO C*
1604515931 N2L3G1@3530016 541 106.01 029605 4308 0765 000 G4F111191 UNIVERSITY OF WATERLOO 200 UNIVERSITY AVE W WATERL WATERLOOC*
1604443433 R1N3V4@4609029 607 000.00 001414H4909 40
                                               000 G4F112181 LION'S PRAIRIE MANOR 24 9TH ST SE PORTAGE LA PRAIR PORTAGE C*
1603468632 R3N1V9@4611040 602 510.02 036601 4909 10
                                                000 G4F111191 CANADIAN FORCES BASE WINNIPEG, KAPYONG BARRAC WINN WINNIPEGC*
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APPENDIO APPENDIO		Census Metropolitan Areas and Census Agglomerations in numerical order, 2006Census classification, indicating if area is census tracted Régions métropolitaines de recensement et Agglomérations de recensement en ordre numérique, selon la classification du recensement de 2006, avec indication si les secteurs de recensement s'appliquent							
CMA/CA	CT	Туре	Name	Tracted					
RMR/AR	SR	Type	Nom	Secteurs					
000	000.00	Not in CMA/C.	A Non dans une RMR/AR						
001	999.99	CMA/RMR	St John's	CT/SR					
005	00.00	CA/AR	Bay Roberts						
010	00.00	CA/AR	Grand Falls-Windsor						

CMA/CA RMR/AR	CT SR	Type Type	Name Nom	Tracted Secteurs	
000	00.00	Not in CMA/C	A Non dans une RMR/AR		
001	999.99	CMA/RMR	St John's	CT/SR	
005	00.00	CA/AR	Bay Roberts		
010	00.00	CA/AR	Grand Falls-Windsor		
015	00.00	CA/AR	Corner Brook		
105	00.00	CA/AR	Charlottetown		
110	00.00	CA/AR	Summerside		
205	999.99	CMA/RMR	Halifax	CT/SR	
210	00.00	CA/AR	Kentville		
215	00.00	CA/AR	Truro		
220	00.00	CA/AR	New Glasgow		
225	00.00	CA/AR	Cape Breton (Sydney)		
305	999.99	CA/AR	Moncton	CT/SR	
310	999.99	CMA/RMR	Saint John	CT/SR	
320	00.00	CA/AR	Fredericton		
328	00.00	CA/AR	Bathurst		
329	000.00	CA/AR	Miramichi		
330	000.00	CA/AR	Campbellton		
335	00.00	CA/AR	Edmundston		
403	000.00	CA/AR	Matane		
404	00.00	CA/AR	Rimouski		
405	00.00	CA/AR	Rivière-du-Loup		
406	000.00	CA/AR	Baie-Comeau		
408	999.99	CMA/RMR	Chicoutimi-Jonquière	CT/SR	
410	000.00	CA/AR	Alma		
411	000.00	CA/AR	Dolbeau-Mistassini		
412	00.00	CA/AR	Sept-Îles		
421	999.99	CMA/RMR	Québec	CT/SR	
428	00.00	CA/AR	Saint-Georges		
430	00.00	CA/AR	Thetford Mines		
433	999.99	CMA/RMR	Sherbrooke	CT/SR	
437	000.00	CA/AR	Cowansville		
440	000.00	CA/AR	Victoriaville		
442	999.99	CMA/RMR	Trois-Rivières	CT/SR	
444	00.00	CA/AR	Shawinigan		
446	00.00	CA/AR	La Tuque		
447	999.99	CA/AR	Drummondville	CT/SR	
450	999.99	CA/AR	Granby	CT/SR	
452	000.00	CA/AR	Saint-Hyacinthe		
454	000.00	CA/AR	Sorel-Tracy		
456	000.00	CA/AR	Joliette		
459	999.99	CA/AR	Saint-Jean-sur-Richelieu	CT/SR	
462	999.99	CMA/RMR	Montréal	CT/SR	
465	000.00	CA/AR	Salaberry-de-Valleyfield		
468	000.00	CA/AR	Lachute		
480	000.00	CA/AR	Val-d'Or		
481	000.00	CA/AR	Amos		
485	000.00	CA/AR	Rouyn-Noranda		
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CMA/CA	CT	Туре	Name	Tracted
RMR/AR	SR	Type	Nom	Secteurs
501	000.00	CA/AR	Cornwall	
502	000.00	CA/AR	Hawkesbury	
505	999.99	CMA/RMR	Ottawa-Hull (Gatineau)	CT/SR
512	000.00	CA/AR	Brockville	
515	000.00	CA/AR	Pembroke	
516	000.00	CA/AR	Petawawa	
521	999.99	CMA/RMR	Kingston	CT/SR
522	999.99	CA/AR	Belleville	CT/SR
527	000.00	CA/AR	Cobourg	
528	000.00	CA/AR	Port Hope and Hope	
529	999.99	CA/AR	Peterborough	CT/SR
530	000.00	CA/AR	Kawartha Lakes (Lindsay)	
531	000.00	CA/AR	Centre Wellington	
533	000.00	CA/AR	Ingersoll	
532	999.99	CMA/RMR	Oshawa	CT/SR
535	999.99	CMA/RMR	Toronto	CT/SR
537	999.99	CMA/RMR	Hamilton	CT/SR
539	999.99	CMA/RMR	St Catharines-Niagara	CT/SR
541	999.99	CMA/RMR	Kitchener	CT/SR
543	999.99	CA/AR	Brantford	CT/SR
544	000.00	CA/AR	Woodstock	CI/BIC
546	000.00	CA/AR	Tillsonburg	
547	000.00	CA/AR	Norfolk (Simcoe)	
550	999.99	CA/AR	Guelph	CT/SR
553	000.00	CA/AR	Stratford	CI/BIC
555	999.99	CMA/RMR	London	CT/SR
556	000.00	CA/AR	Chatham-Kent	
557	000.00	CA/AR	Leamington	
559	999.99	CMA/RMR	Windsor	CT/SR
562	999.99	CA/AR	Sarnia (Sarnia-Clearwater)	CT/SR
566	00.00	CA/AR	Owen Sound	
567	000.00	CA/AR	Collingwood	
568	999.99	CA/AR	Barrie	CT/SR
569	000.00	CA/AR	Orillia	
571	000.00	CA/AR	Midland	
575	999.99	CA/AR	North Bay	CT/SR
580	999.99	CMA/RMR	Sudbury	CT/SR
582	000.00	CA/AR	Elliot Lake	
584	000.00	CA/AR	Haileybury	
586	000.00	CA/AR	Timmins	
590	999.99	CA/AR	Sault Ste. Marie	CT/SR
595	999.99	CMA/RMR	Thunder Bay	CT/SR
598	000.00	CA/AR	Kenora	
602	999.99	CMA/RMR	Winnipeg	CT/SR
607	000.00	CA/AR	Portage la Prairie	
610	000.00	CA/AR	Brandon	
640	000.00	CA/AR	Thompson	
705	999.99	CMA/RMR	Regina	CT/SR
710	000.00	CA/AR	Yorkton	
715	000.00	CA/AR	Moose Jaw	
720	000.00	CA/AR	Swift Current	
725	999.99	CMA/RMR	Saskatoon	CT/SR
735	000.00	CA/AR	North Battleford	
745	00.00	CA/AR	Prince Albert	

CMA/CA	CT	Туре	Name	Tracted
RMR/AR	SR	Type	Nom	Secteurs
805	999.99	CA/AR	Medicine Hat	CT/SR
806	00.00	CA/AR	Brooks	
810	999.99	CA/AR	Lethbridge	CT/SR
820	00.00	CA/AR	Okotoks	
825	999.99	CMA/RMR	Calgary	CT/SR
828	00.00	CA/AR	Cranmore	
830	999.99	CA/AR	Red Deer	CT/SR
833	00.00	CA/AR	Camrose	
835	999.99	CMA/RMR	Edmonton	CT/SR
840	00.00	CA/AR	Lloydminster	
845	00.00	CA/AR	Cold Lake (Grand Centre)	
850	00.00	CA/AR	Grande Prairie	
860	00.00	CA/AR	Wood Buffalo (Fort McMurray)	
865	00.00	CA/AR	Wetaskiwin	
905	00.00	CA/AR	Cranbrook	
913	00.00	CA/AR	Penticton	
915	999.99	CA/AR	Kelowna	CT/SR
918	00.00	CA/AR	Vernon	
920	00.00	CA/AR	Salmon Arm	
925	999.99	CA/AR	Kamloops	CT/SR
930	00.00	CA/AR	Chilliwack	
932	999.99	CMA/RMR	Abbotsford (Matsqui)	CT/SR
933	999.99	CMA/RMR	Vancouver	CT/SR
934	000,00	CA/AR	Squamish	
935	999.99	CMA/RMR	Victoria	CT/SR
937	00.00	CA/AR	Duncan	
938	999.99	CA/AR	Nanaimo	CT/SR
939	00.00	CA/AR	Parksville	
940	00.00	CA/AR	Port Alberni	
943	00.00	CA/AR	Courtenay	
944	00.00	CA/AR	Campbell River	
945	00.00	CA/AR	Powell River	
950	00.00	CA/AR	Williams Lake	
952	00.00	CA/AR	Quesnel	
955	00.00	CA/AR	Prince Rupert	
960	00.00	CA/AR	Kitimat	
965	00.00	CA/AR	Terrace	
970	999.99	CA/AR	Prince George	CT/SR
975	000.00	CA/AR	Dawson Creek	
977	000.00	CA/AR	Fort St. John	
990	00.00	CA/AR	Whitehorse	
995	000.00	CA/AR	Yellowknife	
999	999.99	CMA/CA unkr	ownRMR/AR inconnu	CT/SR?

Note: Former names (from 1991 or 1996 or 2001 census) shown in parentheses if different.

Nota: Les anciens noms (du recensement de 1991, 1996 ou de 2001) sont indiqués entre parenthèses s'ils ont changé.

# APPENDIX F

# GEOGRAPHIC CODING FROM PARTIAL POSTAL CODES BASED ON PCCF

APPENDIX F1 Geographic coding from the first character of the postal code
APPENDIX F2 Geographic coding from the first two characters of the postal code

# APPENDIX F1 GEOGRAPHIC CODING FROM THE FIRST CHARACTER OF THE POSTAL CODE

	Province/Territory	Standard
Letter	Major Geographic Area (Canada Post)	Abbreviation
A	Newfoundland and Labrador	NF, NL
В	Nova Scotia	NS
C	Prince Edward Island	PE
E	New Brunswick	NB
GHJ	Québec	QC
G	Québec East	
H	Montréal Metro	
J	Québec West	
KLMNP	Ontario	ON
K	Eastern Ontario	
L	Central Ontario	
M	Toronto Metro	
N	Southwestern Ontario	
P	Northern Ontario	
R	Manitoba	MB
S	Saskatchewan	SK
T	Alberta	AB
V	British Columbia	BC
X	Northwest Territories	NT
X	Nunavut	NU
Y	Yukon	YK, YT

In the PCCF, some postal codes may be linked to a different province from their first character allocation.

Those records are not mistakes; they reflect the reality of Canada Post sortation and delivery patterns.

# **APPENDIX F2**

#### GEOGRAPHIC CODING FROM THE FIRST TWO CHARACTERS OF THE POSTAL CODE

FS	FSA12 - FIRST TWO CHARACTERS OF POSTAL CODE
NPC	NUMBER OF POSTAL CODES
CMA	MOST COMMON CENSUS METROPOLITAN AREA OR CENSUS AGGLOMERATION (CMA/CA)
PCMA	PERCENTAGE OF POSTAL CODES WITHIN THAT CMA/CA
PRCD	MOST COMMON CENSUS SUBDIVISION (CD)
PCD	PERCENTAGE OF POSTAL CODES WITHIN THAT CD
PRCDCSD	MOST COMMON CENSUS SUBDIVISON (CSD)
PCSD	PERCENTAGE OF POSTAL CODES WITHIN THAT CSD
AVLAT	AVERAGE LATITUDE IN DEGREES(2)+DECIMALS(6)
AVLONG	AVERAGE LONGITUDE IN DEGREES(3)+DECIMALS(6)
T	1=CMA/CA IS CENSUS TRACTED; 0=CMA/CA NOT TRACTED

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A2	4619			1005					058618991	
A8			100.0						057425012	
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	15659			1217		1217030			060158701	
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			100.0	1209					063639261	
В4	9495	000	48.1	1209	36.6	1209034	36.6	44937568	064147955	0
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В9	782	000	100.0	1215	96.4	1215002	67.1	45637082	061361888	0
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C1	6715	105	69.0	1102	69.2	1102075	49.0	46294117	063324159	0
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E6	3104			1310		1310036			067023061	
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G4	7682	000	43.6	2497	36.0	2497010	32.2	49399082	066494830	0
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# **APPENDIX H Health Regions and Health Districts**

# **APPENDIX H1**

Summary List of Health Regions, by Province and Type, Canada, December 2007

PR	Health Region Type	HRTYP	Number
Total			
NF	Regional Integrated Health Authority	RIH	4
PE	County		
NS	Health Zone		
NB	Region	REG	7
QC	Région socio-sanitaire	RSS	18
ON	Local Health Integration Network		
MB	Regional Health Authority	RHA	11
SK	Regional Health Authority	RHA	12
	Health Authority	HAU	1
AB	Regional Health Authority		
	Health Region		
	Health		
BC	Health Service Delivery Area	HSD	16
	Regional Health Authority (roll-up)	RHA	5
YK	Territory	TER	1
NT	Territory		
NU	Territory	TER	1

The 16 Health Service Delivery Areas in BC roll up to 5 Regional Health Authorities, which are designated by the first digit of the Health Region code.

**APPENDIX H2** 

# Summary List of Health Districts by Type and Province, Canada, December 2007

	Health District Type	SUBTYP	
Total			
NS	District Health Authority	DHA	9
QC	Centre local de services communautaires	CLS	174
ON	Public Health Unit (incl Toronto)	PHU	36
	Health Planning Area (Toronto only)	HPA	16
AB	Sub-regional health authority (by 2007 definitions)		
BC	Local Health Area		

For Version 5C of PCCF+, the health district codes for BC are not shown, nor are the Toronto Health Planning Areas. Ontario health districts (PHUs) are defined without reference to Ontario health region (LHN) boundaries. In all other provinces, health districts roll up to health regions.

# **APPENDIX H3:**

# HEALTH REGIONS, CANADA, DECEMBER 2007

REGIONS SOCIO-SANITAIRES, CANADA, DÉCEMBRE 2007

PRHR	HEALTH REGION / REGION SOCIO-SANITAIRE	HRTYP
	UNDLAND / TERRE-NEUVE	
1011	EASTERN	RIH
1012	CENTRAL	RIH
1013	WESTERN	RIH
1014	LABRADOR-GRENFELL	RIH
PRINC	E EDWARD ISLAND / ILE DU PRINCE-EDOUARD	
1101	KINGS	CTY
1102	QUEENS	CTY
1103	PRINCE	CTY
NOVA	SCOTIA / NOUVELLE ECOSSE	
1201	BRIDGEWATER-YARMOUTH	ZON
1202	KENTVILLE	ZON
	TRURO-AMHERST	ZON
1204	NEW GLASGOW-ANTIGONISH	ZON
	CAPE BRETON	ZON
1206	HALIFAX	ZON
NEW E	RUNSWICK / NOUVEAU-BRUNSWICK	
	MONCTON	REG
1302	SAINT JOHN	REG
	FREDERICTON	REG
	EDMUNDSTON	REG
	CAMPBELLTON	REG
	BATHURST	REG
1307	MIRAMICHI	REG
QUEBE		
	BAS-SAINT-LAURENT	RSS
	SAGUENAYLAC-SAINT-JEAN	RSS
	CAPITALE-NATIONALE	RSS
	MAURICIE ET CENTRE DU QUEBEC	RSS
	ESTRIE	RSS
	MONTRÉAL	RSS
	OUTAOUAIS	RSS
	ABITIBI-TÉMISCAMINGUE	RSS
	CÔTE-NORD	RSS
2410	~ ~ ~	RSS
	GASPÉSIEÎLES-DE-LA-MADELEINE	RSS
	CHAUDIÈRE-APPALACHES	RSS
	LAVAL	RSS
	LANAUDIÈRE	RSS
	LAURENTIDES MONTÉRÉGIE	RSS
	MONTEREGIE NUNAVIK	RSS
	NUNAVIK TERRES-CRIES-DE-LA-BAIE-JAME	RSS RSS
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PRHR	HEALTH REGION / REGION SOCIO-SANITAIRE	HRTYP
ONTAR		
	ERIE ST. CLAIR	LHN
	SOUTH WEST	LHN
	WATERLOO WELLINGTON	LHN
	HAMILTON NIAGARA HALDIMAND BRANT	LHN
	CENTRAL WEST	LHN
	MISSISSAUGA HALTON	LHN
	TORONTO	LHN
	CENTRAL	LHN
	CENTRAL EAST	LHN
	SOUTH EAST	LHN
	CHAMPLAIN	LHN
	NORTH SIMCOE MUSKOKA	LHN
	NORTH EAST	LHN
	NORTH WEST	LHN
MANIT	*OPA	
	WINNIPEG	RHA
	BRANDON	RHA
	NORTH EASTMAN	RHA
	SOUTH EASTMAN	RHA
	INTERLAKE	RHA
	CENTRAL	RHA
	ASSINIBOINE	RHA
	PARKLAND	RHA
	NORMAN	RHA
	BURNTWOOD	RHA
	CHURCHILL	RHA
SASKA	TCHEWAN	
	SUN COUNTRY	RHA
	FIVE HILLS	RHA
	CYPRESS	RHA
	REGINA QU'APPELLE	RHA
	SUNRISE	RHA
	SASKATOON	RHA
	HEARTLAND	RHA
	KELSEY TRAIL	RHA
	PRINCE ALBERT PARKLAND	RHA
	PRAIRIE NORTH	RHA
	MAMAWETAN CHURCHILL RIVER	RHA
	KEEWATIN YATTHÉ	RHA
	ATHABASCA	HAU
ALBER	TA	
	CHINOOK	HRE
	PALLISER	HRE
483	CALGARY	HRE
484	DAVID THOMPSON	RHA
485	EAST CENTRAL	HLT
486	CAPITAL	HLT
487	ASPEN	RHA
488	DEACE COUNTRY	HLT
489	NORTHERN LIGHTS	HRE
200		111111

PRHR	HEALTH REGION / REGION SOCIO-SANITAIRE		
BRITI	SH COLUMBIA / COLOMBIE-BRITANNIQUE		
591	INTERIOR	RHA	
5911	EAST KOOTENAY	HSD	
5912	KOOTENAY-BOUNDARY	HSD	
5913	OKANAGAN	HSD	
5914	THOMPSON/CARIBOO	HSD	
592	FRASER	RHA	
5921	FRASER EAST	HSD	
5922	FRASER NORTH	HSD	
5923	FRASER SOUTH	HSD	
593	VANCOUVER CENTRAL	RHA	
5931	RICHMOND	HSD	
5932	VANCOUVER	HSD	
5933	NORTH SHORE/COAST GARIBALDI	HSD	
594	VANCOUVER ISLAND	RHA	
5941	SOUTH VANCOUVER ISLAND	HSD	
5942	CENTRAL VANCOUVER ISLAND	HSD	
5943	NORTH VANCOUVER ISLAND	HSD	
595	NORTHERN	RHA	
5951	NORTHWEST	HSD	
5952	NORTHERN INTERIOR	HSD	
5953	NORTHEAST	HSD	
	TORIES / TERRITOIRES		
	YUKON	TER	
	NORTHWEST	TER	
6102	NUNAVUT	TER	

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# **APPENDIX H4:**

# HEALTH DISTRICTS, CANADA, DECEMBER 2007 DISTRICTS SOCIO-SANITAIRES, CANADA, DÉCEMBRE 2007


PRHR SU	B NAME / NOM	SUBTYP
	OTIA / NOUVELLE-ÉCOSSE	
	BRIDGEWATER	DHA
	YARMOUTH	DHA
	KENTVILLE	DHA
12034	TRURO	DHA
12035	AMHERST NEW GLASGOW	DHA
12046	NEW GLASGOW	DHA
12047	ANTIGONISH	DHA
12058	CAPE BRETON	DHA
12059	HALIFAX	DHA
QUEBEC		
2401101	RIMOUSKI-NEIGETTE	CLS
2401102	LA MITIS	CLS
2401103	MATANE	CLS
2401105	LA MATAPEDIA	CLS
2401301	LA MATAPEDIA LES BASQUES SAINT-ELEUTHERE	CLS
2401302	SAINT-ELEUTHERE	CLS
	RIVIERE-DU-LOUP	CLS
	KAMOURASKA	CLS
2401305	CABANO	CLS
2402101	FJORD	CLS
2402102	SAGUENAY	CLS
	JONQUIERE	CLS
	CHICOUTIMI	CLS
	DOMAINE-DU-ROY	CLS
	MARIA-CHAPDELAINE	CLS
	LAC-SAINT-JEAN-EST	CLS
	PORTNEUF	CLS
	LAURENTIEN	CLS
		CLS
2403202	SAINTE-FOY - SILLERY QUEBEC-HAUTE-VILLE	CLS
2403201	QUEBEC-HAUTE-VILLE QUEBEC-BASSE-VILLE	CLS
2403202	LIMOILOU-VANIER	CLS
	DUBERGER-LES SAULES-LEBOURGNEUF	
	LORETTEVILLE - VAL-BELAIR	CLS
	BEAUPORT	CLS
	ORLEANS	CLS
	CHARLESBOURG CHARLEVOIX-EST	CLS
		CLS
	CHARLEVOIX-OUEST	CLS
	HAUT-SAINT-MAURICE	CLS
	MEKINAC	CLS
	CENTRE-DE-LA-MAURICIE	CLS
	MASKINONGE	CLS
	TROIS-RIVIERES	CLS
	DES CHENAUX	CLS
	CAP-DE-LA-MADELEINE	CLS
	NICOLET-YAMASKA	CLS
	BECANCOUR	CLS
	DRUMMOND	CLS
	ARTHABASKA	CLS
2404505	DE L'ERABLE	CLS
2405101	GRANIT	CLS

2405102	ASBESTOS	CLS
2405103	HAUT-SAINT-FRANCOIS	CLS
2405104	VAL SAINT-FRANCOIS	CLS
2405105	COATICOOK	CLS
2405106	MEMPHREMAGOG	CLS
2405107	FLEURIMONT-LENNOXVILLE	CLS
2405108	SHERBROOKE	CLS
	LAC SAINT-LOUIS	CLS
	PIERREFONDS	CLS
	DOLLARD-DES-ORMEAUX	CLS
	LACHINE	CLS
	POINTE-SAINT-CHARLES	CLS
2406202		CLS
	SAINT-PAUL	CLS
	LASALLE	CLS
	RIVIERE-DES-PRAIRIES	CLS
	POINTE-AUX-TREMBLES	CLS
	MERCIER-EST MERCIER-OUEST	CLS
		CLS
	HOCHELAGA-MAISONNEUVE	CLS
2406308	ROSEMONT	CLS CLS
	SAINT-LEONARD	CLS
	COTE-DES-NEIGES	CLS
	SNOWDON	CLS
	COTE-SAINT-LUC	CLS
	MONT-ROYAL	CLS
	NOTRE-DAME DE GRACE - MONTREAL-OUEST	
2406503		CLS
	SAINT-LOUIS DU PARC	CLS
	SAINT-HENRI	CLS
	MONTREAL-NORD	CLS
	SAINT-MICHEL	CLS
2406605	AHUNTSIC	CLS
2406606	BORDEAUX-CARTIERVILLE	CLS
2406608	SAINT-LAURENT	CLS
2406701	MONTREAL-CENTRE-SUD	CLS
2406702	PLATEAU MONT-ROYAL	CLS
2406704	PARC-EXTENSION	CLS
2406705	MONTREAL-CENTRE-VILLE	CLS
2406706	VILLERAY	CLS
2406707	PETITE PATRIE	CLS
2407201	HULL	CLS
2407202		CLS
2407300	GATINEAU	CLS
	PONTIAC	CLS
2407500	LES COLLINES-DE-L'OUTAOUAIS	CLS
	DES FORESTIERS	CLS
	VALLEE-DE-LA-LIEVRE	CLS
	PETITE-NATION	CLS
	TEMISCAMING	CLS
	VILLE-MARIE	CLS
	ROUYN-NORANDA	CLS
	ABITIBI-OUEST	CLS
	ABITIBI	CLS
	VALLEE-DE-L'OR	CLS
	LES ESCOUMINS	CLS
	FORESTVILLE	CLS
	MANICOUAGAN	CLS
∠4U91U5	PORT-CARTIER	CLS

2409106	SEPT-ILES	CLS
2409107	CANIAPISCAU	CLS
2409109	MINGANIE	CLS
2409110	BASSE COTE-NORD	CLS
2409112	TERRITOIRE NASKAPI	CLS
2410101	CHIBOUGAMAU/CHAPAIS	CLS
2410102	LEBEL-SUR-QUEVILLON	CLS
	MATAGAMI	CLS
2410104	BAIE-JAMES	CLS
2411201	BONAVENTURE	CLS
2411203	PABOK	CLS
2411204		CLS
	GRANDE-VALLEE	CLS
	ILES-DE-LA-MADELEINE	CLS
2411207	MURDOCHVILLE	CLS
	DENIS-RIVERIN	CLS
	AVIGNON	CLS
	LAC ETCHEMIN	CLS
	LA NOUVELLE-BEAUCE	CLS
	BEAUCE-SARTIGAN	CLS
	ROBERT-CLICHE	CLS
	L'AMIANTE	CLS
	DESJARDINS	CLS
	CHAUDIERE	CLS
	BELLECHASSE	CLS
	LOTBINIERE	CLS
	L'ISLET	CLS
	MONTMAGNY	CLS
	DUVERNAY	CLS
	CHOMEDEY	CLS
	PONT-VIAU	CLS
	SAINTE-ROSE-DE-LAVAL	CLS
	D'AUTRAY	CLS
	MATAWINIE	CLS
	JOLIETTE	CLS
	MONTCALM	CLS
	LES MOULINS	CLS
	L'ASSOMPTION	CLS
	DEUX-MONTAGNES - MIRABEL	CLS
	THERESE-DE-BLAINVILLE	CLS
	ANTOINE-LABELLE	
		CLS CLS
	RIVIERE-DU-NORD - MIRABEL	
	LES PAYS-D'EN-HAUT	CLS
	LES LAURENTIDES	CLS
	ARGENTEUIL	CLS
	VAUDREUIL-SOULANGES	CLS
	HAUT-SAINT-LAURENT	CLS
	VALLEYFIELD-BEAUHARNOIS	CLS
	CHATEAUGUAY-MERCIER	CLS
	LES JARDINS DE NAPIERVILLE	CLS
	SAINT CONSTANT - LA PRAIRIE	CLS
	BROSSARD - SAINT-LAMBERT	CLS
	LONGUEUIL-OUEST	CLS
	LONGUEUIL-EST	CLS
	ST-HUBERT	CLS
	LAJEMMERAIS	CLS
	SAINT-JEAN-SUR-RICHELIEU - SAINT-LUC	CLS
	SAINT-BRUNO - BELOEIL - SAINT-HILAIRE	CLS
	CHAMBLY-CARIGNAN-MARIEVILLE	CLS
2416015	BAS RICHELIEU	CLS

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ONTARIO	
3526 ALGOMA 3527 BRANT	PHU
3530 DURHAM	PHU PHU
3531 ELGIN-ST THOMAS	PHU
3533 GREY BRUCE	PHU
3534 HALDIMAND-NORFOLK	PHU
3535 HALIBURTON-KAWARTHA-	PINE RIDGE PHU
3536 HALTON	PHU
3537 HAMILTON	PHU
3538 HASTINGS-PRINCE EDWAR	RD PHU
3539 HURON	PHU
3540 CHATHAM-KENT	PHU
3541 KINGSTON-FRONTENAC-LI	
3542 LAMBTON 3543 LEEDS-GRENVILLE-LANA	PHU RK PHU
3544 MIDDLESEX-LONDON	PHU
3546 NIAGARA	PHU
3547 NORTH BAY - PARRY SOL	
3549 NORTHWESTERN	PHU
3551 OTTAWA	PHU
3552 OXFORD	PHU
3553 PEEL	PHU
3554 PERTH	PHU
3555 PETERBOROUGH	PHU
3556 PORCUPINE	PHU
3557 RENFREW 3558 EASTERN ONTARIO	PHU PHU
3560 SIMCOE - MUSKOKA	PHU
3561 SUDBURY	PHU
3562 THUNDER BAY	PHU
3563 TIMISKAMING	PHU
3565 WATERLOO	PHU
3566 WELLINGTON-DUFFERIN-C	GUELPH PHU
3568 WINDSOR-ESSEX	PHU
3570 YORK	PHU
3595 TORONTO MEGE	PHU
3595A TORONTO WEST 3595B TORONTO WEST	AREA 1A HPA AREA 1B HPA
35956 TORONTO WEST	
3595D TORONTO CENTRAL WES	
3595E TORONTO CENTRAL WEST	
3595F TORONTO CENTRAL WEST	
3595G TORONTO CENTRAL EAST	T AREA 3A HPA
3595H TORONTO CENTRAL EAST	
3595I TORONTO CENTRAL EAST	
3595J TORONTO CENTRAL SOU	
3595K TORONTO CENTRAL SOUT	
3595L TORONTO EAST	AREA 5A HPA
3595M TORONTO EAST 3595N TORONTO EAST	AREA 5B HPA AREA 5C HPA
35950 TORONTO EAST	AREA 5D HPA
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# ALBERTA

ALDERIA			
PRHRSUB	NAME / NOM	SUBTYP	
	Crowsnest Pincher Creek	SUB	
	Fort McLeod Cardston	SUB	
	Lethbridge	SUB	
	Picture Butte Raymond Milk River	SUB	
480105	Vauxhall Taber	SUB	
480201	Palliser North and Central	SUB	
480202	Palliser West	SUB	
480301	Calgary Northwest	SUB	
480302	Calgary Beddington Heights	SUB	
480303	Calgary Northeast	SUB	
480304	Calgary University	SUB	
480305	Calgary Charleswood	SUB	
480306	Calgary Marlborough	SUB	
480307	Calgary Shaganappi	SUB	
480308	Calgary Bowness	SUB	
480309	Calgary Scarboro	SUB	
480310	Calgary Forest Lawn	SUB	
480311	Calgary Lakeview	SUB	
480312	Calgary Mount Royal	SUB	
480313	Calgary Haysboro	SUB	
480314	Calgary Bonavista	SUB	
480315	Calgary South	SUB	
480320	Banff-Canmore	SUB	
480321	Didsbury-Strathmore	SUB	
480322	Vulcan-Claresholm	SUB	
480323	High River-Black Diamond Clearwater	SUB	
480401 480402	Brazeau	SUB SUB	
480402	Wetaskiwin-Hobbema	SUB	
480403	Ponoka	SUB	
480404	Lacombe	SUB	
480406	Red Deer	SUB	
480407	Olds	SUB	
480408	Drumheller-Hanna	SUB	
480409	Stettler-Consort	SUB	
480501	Region 5 Northwest	SUB	
480502	Regions 5 Northeast	SUB	
480503	Region 5 Southeast	SUB	
480504	Region 5 South Central	SUB	
480505	Region5 Southwest	SUB	
480601	St. Albert	SUB	
480602	Edmonton Castle Downs	SUB	
480603	Edmonton Woodcroft	SUB	
480604	Edmonton Eastwood	SUB	
480605	Edmonton North Central	SUB	
480606	Edmonton North East	SUB	
480607	Edmonton Bonnie Doon	SUB	
480608	Edmonton West Jasper Place	SUB	
480609	Edmonton Twin Brooks	SUB	
480612	Edmonton Mill Woods	SUB	
480613	Sherwood Park	SUB	
480614	Strathcona County	SUB	
480615	Thorsby	SUB	
480616	Leduc Office	SUB	
480617	Beaumont	SUB	
480618	Westview	SUB	

480619	Sturgeon County	SUB
480620	Fort Saskatchewan	SUB
480701	Aspen West	SUB
480702	Aspen Central	SUB
480703	Aspen North	SUB
480704	Aspen East	SUB
480801	Peace Northwest	SUB
480802	Peace Northeast	SUB
480803	Peace Southeast	SUB
480804	Peace Southwest	SUB
480901	High Level	SUB
480902	La Crete	SUB
480903	Northern Lights Northwest	SUB
480904	Fort McMurray	SUB

# BRITISH COLUMBIA / COLOMBIE-BRITANNIQUE

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PRHRSUB	NAME / NOM	SUBTYP
5911001		LHA
5911002	CRANBROOK	LHA
5911003	KIMBERLEY	LHA
5911004	WINDERMERE	LHA
5911005	CRESTON	LHA
5911018	GOLDEN	LHA
5912006	KOOTENAY LAKE	LHA
5912007	NELSON	LHA
5912009	CASTLEGAR	LHA
5912010	ARROW LAKES	LHA
5912011	TRAIL	LHA
5912012	GRAND FORKS	LHA
	KETTLE VALLEY	LHA
5913014	SOUTHERN OKANAGAN	LHA
5913015	PENTICTON	LHA
5913016	KEREMEOS	LHA
	PRINCETON	LHA
5913021	ARMSTRONG-SPALLUMCHEEN	LHA
5913022	VERNON	LHA
5913023	CENTRAL OKANAGAN	LHA
5913077	SUMMERLAND	LHA
5913078	ENDERBY	LHA
5914019	REVELSTOKE	LHA
5914020	SALMON ARM	LHA
5914024	KAMLOOPS	LHA
5914025	100 MILE HOUSE	LHA
5914026	NORTH THOMPSON	LHA
	CARIBOO-CHILCOTIN	LHA
5914029	LILLOOET	LHA
5914030	SOUTH CARIBOO	LHA
5914031	MERRITT	LHA
5921032	HOPE	LHA
5921033	CHILLIWACK	LHA
5921034	ABBOTSFORD	LHA
5921075	MISSION	LHA
5921076	AGASSIZ-HARRISON	LHA
5922040	NEW WESTMINSTER	LHA
	BURNABY	LHA
	MAPLE RIDGE	LHA
	COQUITLAM	LHA
5923035	LANGLEY	LHA

5923037	DELTA SURREY SOUTH SURREY - WHITE ROCK RICHMOND CITY CENTRE VANCOUVER DOWNTOWN EASTSIDE VANCOUVER MORTHEAST VANCOUVER MIDTOWN VANCOUVER MIDTOWN VANCOUVER MIDTOWN VANCOUVER MORTH VANCOUVER SOUTH VANCOUVER WEST VANCOUVER-BOWEN ISLAND SUNSHINE COAST POWELL RIVER HOWE SOUND BELLA COOLA VALLEY CENTRAL COAST GREATER VICTORIA SOOKE SAANICH GULF ISLANDS COWICHAN LAKE COWICHAN LADYSMITH NANAIMO QUALICUM ALBERNI COURTENAY CAMPBELL RIVER VANCOUVER ISLAND WEST VANCOUVER ISLAND NORTH QUEEN CHARLOTTE SNOW COUNTRY PRINCE RUPERT UPPER SKEENA SMITHERS KITIMAT STIKINE TERRACE NISGA'A TELEGRAPH CREEK BURNS LAKE NECHAKO	LHA
5923201	SURREY	LHA
5923202	SOUTH SURREY - WHITE ROCK	LHA
5931038	RICHMOND	LHA
5932161	CITY CENTRE VANCOUVER	LHA
5932162	DOWNTOWN EASTSIDE VANCOUVER	LHA
5932163	NORTHEAST VANCOUVER	LHA
5932164	WESTSIDE VANCOUVER	LHA
5932165	MIDTOWN VANCOUVER	LHA
5932166	SOUTH VANCOUVER	LHA
5933044	NORTH VANCOUVER	LHA
5933045	WEST VANCOUVER-BOWEN ISLAND	LHA
5933046	SUNSHINE COAST	LHA
5933047	POWELL RIVER	LHA
5933048	HOWE SOUND	LHA
5933049	BELLA COOLA VALLEY	LHA
5933083	CENTRAL COAST	LHA
5941061	GREATER VICTORIA	LHA
5941062	SOOKE	LHA
5941063	SAANICH	LHA
5941064	GULF ISLANDS	LHA
5942065	COWICHAN	LHA
5942066	LAKE COWICHAN	LHA
5942067	I.ADYSMITH	LHA
5942068	NANATMO	LHA
5942069	OILAT.TCIIM	LHA
5942070	ALBERNI	LHA
5943071	COURTEMAY	LHA
5943071	CAMDRELL RIVER	LHA
5943072	VANCOUVER ISLAND WEST	LHA
5043005	VANCOUVER ISLAND WEST	LHA
5951050	OHEEN CHARLOTTE	LHA
5951050	QUOM COUNTRY	LHA
5951051	DDINGE DIDEDT	LHA
5951052	INDED CREENY	LHA
5951053	OMPER SKEENA	LHA
5951054	NILIUEVO	LIIA
5951060	CULLINE	LHA
5951067	DILVING	LHA
5951088	1 ERRACE	LHA
5951092	NISGA A	LHA
5951094	TELEGRAPH CREEK	LHA
5952055	BURNS LAKE	LHA
5952056	NECHAKO	LHA
5952057	PRINCE GEORGE	LHA
	QUESNEL	LHA
	PEACE RIVER SOUTH	LHA
	PEACE RIVER NORTH	LHA
5953081	FORT NELSON	LHA

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# APPENDIX J Census divisions, 2006

The numeric code and corresponding census division name, including descriptive names for otherwise unnamed CDs.

The numeric co	ode and corresponding census division name, including descriptiv	e name	S 101 C	otherwise unhamed CDs.
PRCD TYP C	Dname	2416	MRC	Charlevoix
1001 CDR A	valon Peninsula	2417	MRC	L'Islet
1002 CDR B	Burin Peninsula	2418	MRC	Montmagny
1003 CDR S	South Coast			Bellechasse
	Stephenville			L'Île-d'Orléans
	Corner Brook			La Côte-de-Beaupré
	Central Newfoundland			La Jacques-Cartier
	Bonavista Bay			Québec
	Notre Dame Bay			Lévis
	Jorthern Peninsula			La Nouvelle-Beauce
	Central-Southern Labrador	:		Robert-Cliche
1011 CDR N	Junastiavut			Les Etchemins
				Beauce-Sartigan
1101 CTY K	<del>-</del>			Le Granit
1102 CTY Q				L'Amiante
1103 CTY P	rince			L'Érable
1001 0077				Lotbinière
1201 CTY S				Portneuf
1202 CTY Y				Mékinac Chaminanian
1203 CTY D				Shawingigan
1204 CTY Q				Francheville Bécancour
1205 CTY A	-			
1206 CTY L				Arthabaska
1207 CTY K 1208 CTY H	-			Asbestos
1208 CTY H				Le Haut-Saint-François Le Val-Saint-François
1210 CTY C				Sherbrooke
1210 CTY C				Coaticook
1211 CTY C				Memphrémagog
	uysborough			Brome-Missisquoi
1213 CTT G				La Haute-Yamaska
1214 CTT A	<del>-</del>			Acton
1216 CTY R				Drummond
	Cape Breton			Nicolet-Yamaska
1217 CTT C	-			Maskinongé
IZIO CII V	1000114			D'Autray
1301 CT S	Saint John			Le Bas-Richelieu
1302 CT C				Les Maskoutains
1303 CT S				Rouville
1304 CT Q	-			Le Haut-Richelieu
1305 CT K				La Vallée-du-Richelieu
1306 CT A	<del>-</del>	2458	ΤÉ	Longueuil
	Jestmorland			Lajemmerais
1308 CT K	lent .	2460	MRC	L'Assomption
1309 CT N	Jorthumberland	2461	MRC	Joliette
1310 CT Y	ork (ork	2462	MRC	Matawinie
1311 CT C	Carleton	2463	MRC	Montcalm
1312 CT V	victoria	2464	MRC	Les Moulins
1313 CT M	ladawaska	2465	ΤÉ	Laval
1314 CT R	Restigouche	2466	ΤÉ	Montréal
1315 CT G	Gloucester	2467	MRC	Roussillon
		2468	MRC	Les Jardins-de-Napierville
2401 TÉ L	es Îles-de-la-Madeleine	2469	MRC	Le Haut-Saint-Laurent
2402 MRC L	∟e Rocher-Percé	2470	MRC	Beauharnois-Salaberry
	⊿a Côte-de-Gaspé			Vaudreuil-Soulanges
2404 MRC L	a Haute-Gaspésie			Deux-Montagnes
	Bonaventure			Thérèse-De Blainville
2406 MRC A				Mirabel
	a Matapédia			La Rivière-du-Nord
2408 MRC M				Argenteuil
2409 MRC L				Les Pays-d'en-Haut
	Rimouski-Neigette			Les Laurentides
	es Basques			Antoine-Labelle
	Rivière-du-Loup			Papineau
	'émiscouata			Gatineau
2414 MRC K				Les Collines-de-l'Outaouais
2415 MRC C	Charlevoix-Est	2483	MRC	La Vallée-de-la-Gatineau

2	484	MRC	Pontiac	4605	CDR	Turtle Mountain
2	485	MRC	Témiscamingue	4606	CDR	Wallace
2	486	ΤÉ	Rouyn-Noranda	4607	CDR	Brandon
2	487	MRC	Abitibi-Ouest	4608	CDR	Swift Current
2	488	MRC	Abitibi	4609	CDR	Portage la Prairie
2	489	MRC	Vallée-de-l'Or	4610	CDR	Macdonald-Cartier
2	490	ΤÉ	La Tuque			Winnipeg
			Le Domaine-du-Roy			Springfield-Broken Head
			Maria-Chapdelaine			St Andrews
			Lac-Saint-Jean-Est			Rookwood-Woodlands
			Le Saguenay-et-son-Fjord			Langford-Minto
			La Haute-Côte-Nord			Lake of the Prairies
			Manicouagan			Dauphin
			Sept-RivièresCaniapiscau MinganieBasse-Côte-Nord			Interlake South-Gimli
			Nord-du-Québec			Lake Winnipeg-Winnipegosis Swan River
۷.	ユンン	CDIC	NOI a - a a - guebec			Moose Lake
3	501	UC	Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry			Thompson
			Prescott and Russell			Hudson Bay
			Ottawa	1025	0210	madon bar
			Leeds and Grenville	4701	CDR	Estevan
3	509	CTY	Lanark	4702	CDR	Weyburn
3	510	MB	Frontenac			Lake of the Rivers
3	511	CTY	Lennox and Addington	4704	CDR	Maple Creek
3	512	CTY	Hastings	4705	CDR	Melville
3	513	CDR	Prince Edward	4706	CDR	Regina
3	514	CTY	Northumberland	4707	CDR	Moose Jaw
3	515	CTY	Peterborough	4708	CDR	Swift Current
			Kawartha Lakes			Yorkton
			Durham			Big Quill-Foam Lake-Kutawa
			York			Saskatoon
			Toronto			Battleford-Biggar-Vanscoy
			Peel			Kindersley-Unity
			Dufferin			Star City-Nipawin-Hudson Bay
			Wellington			Prince Albert
			Halton Hamilton			North Battleford Lloydminster-Meadow Lake
			Niagara			Northern Saskatchewan
			Haldimand-Norfolk	4/10	CDR	NOICHEIN Saskatchewan
			Brant	4801	CDR	Medicine Hat
			Waterloo			Lethbridge
			Perth			Southwest (Cardston-Willow/Pincher)
3	532	CTY	Oxford			Hanna-Oyen-Consort
3	534	CTY	Elgin	4805	CDR	Drumheller
3	536	CDR	Chatham-Kent	4806	CDR	Calgary
3	537	CTY	Essex	4807	CDR	Stettler-Wainwright
3	538	CTY	Lambton	4808	CDR	Red Deer
3	539	CTY	Middlesex			Rocky Mountain House
			Huron			Camrose-Vermillion River-Lloydminster
			Bruce			Edmonton
			Grey			Cold Lake
			Simcoe			Woodlands
			Muskoka			Yellowhead
			Haliburton Renfrew			Jasper-Banff
			Nipissing			Wood Buffalo Peace River
			Parry Sound			Greenview
			Manitoulin			Grande Prairie
			Sudbury	4019	CDIC	Grande Francie
			Greater Sudbury / Grand Sudbury	5901	RD	East Kootenay
			Timiskaming			Central Kootenay
			Cochrane			Kootenay Boundary
			Algoma			Okanagan-Similkameen
			Thunder Bay			Fraser Valley
			Rainy River			Greater Vancouver
3	560	DIS	Kenora			Capital
						Cowichan Valley
			Lac du Bonnet-Alexander			Nanaimo
			Hanover			Alberni-Clayoquot
			Stanley			Comox-Strathcona
4	ьU4	CDR	Lorne-Pembina	5927	KD	Powell River

5929 RD	Sunshine Coast	5957	REG	Stikine
5931 RD	Squamish-Lillooet	5959	RD	Northern Rockies
5933 RD	Thompson-Nicola			
5935 RD	Central Okanagan	6001	TER	Yukon
5937 RD	North Okanagan			
5939 RD	Columbia-Shuswap	6106	REG	Fort Smith
5941 RD	Cariboo	6107	REG	Inuvik
5943 RD	Mount Waddington			
5945 RD	Central Coast	6204	REG	Baffin
5947 RD	Skeena-Queen Charlotte	6205	REG	Keewatin
5949 RD	Kitimat-Stikine	6208	REG	Kitikmeot
5951 RD	Bulkley-Nechako			
5953 RD	Fraser-Fort George			
5955 RD	Peace River			

# Census Division Type (CDtype)

# Genre de la division de recensement (CDgenre)

# Type/Genre

CDR Census Division / Division de recensement

CT County / Comté

CTY County DIS District

DM District Municipality
MB Management Board

MRC Municipalité régionale de comté

RD Regional District

REG Region

RM Regional Municipality TÉ Territoire équivalent

TER Territory UC United Counties

3515 Kingston - Pembroke 3520 Muskoka - Kawarthas

3540 Kitchener - Waterloo - Barrie

3550 Hamilton - Niagara Peninsula

3530 Toronto

3560 London

# APPENDIX K Economic regions

PRER ERNAME	PRER ERNAME
1010 Ayalon Peninsula	3570 Windsor - Sarnia
1020 South Coast - Burin Peninsula	3580 Stratford - Bruce Peninsula
1030 West Coast - Northern Peninsula - Labrador	3590 Northeast
1040 Notre Dame - Central Bonavista Bay	3595 Northwest
10 to Frome Bulle Contain Bolia vista Bay	3373 Horaiwest
1110 Prince Edward Island	4610 Southeast
	4620 South Central
1210 Cape Breton	4630 Southwest
1220 North Shore	4640 North Central
1230 Annapolis Valley	4650 Winnipeg
1240 Southern	4660 Interlake
1250 Halifax	4670 Parklands
	4680 North
1310 Campbellton - Miramichi	
1320 Moncton - Richibucto	4710 Regina - Moose Mountain
1330 Saint John - St. Stephen	4720 Swift Current - Moose Jaw
1340 Fredericton - Oromocto	4730 Saskatoon - Biggar
1350 Edmundston - Woodstock	4740 Yorkton - Melville
	4750 Prince Albert
2410 Gaspésie - Îles-de-la-Madeleine	4760 Northern
2415 Bas-Saint-Laurent	
2420 Capitale-Nationale	4810 Lethbridge - Medicine Hat
2425 Chaudière - Appalaches	4820 Camrose - Drumheller
2430 Estrie	4830 Calgary
2433 Centre-du-Québec	4840 Banff - Jasper - Rocky Mountain House
2435 Montérégie	4850 Red Deer
2440 Montréal	4860 Edmonton
2445 Laval	4870 Athabasca - Grande Prairie - Peace River
2450 Lanaudière	4880 Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake
2455 Laurentides	
2460 Outaouais	5910 Vancouver Island and Coast
2465 Abitibi - Témiscamingue	5920 Lower Mainland - Southwest
2470 Mauricie	5930 Thompson - Okanagan
2475 Saguenay - Lac-Saint-Jean	5940 Kootenay
2480 Côte-Nord	5950 Cariboo
2490 Nord-du-Québec	5960 North Coast
•	5970 Nechako
3510 Ottawa	5980 Northeast
2515 Vingston Domhuska	

6010 Yukon

6210 Nunavut

6110 Northwest Territories

 $\begin{array}{lll} \textbf{APPENDIX L} & \textbf{Census agricultural regions, 2006} \\ \textbf{including unofficial descriptive names for otherwise unnamed regions} \end{array}$ 

	ARNAME			ARNAME
	Southeastern			Estevan
	Central			Elcapo-Moosomin
10 03	Western and Labrador			Weyburn
				Regina-Moose Jaw
	Eastern			Gravelbourg-Enfield (3AN)
	Central			Lake of the Rivers-Laurier-Hart Butte (3AS)
11 03	Western			Swift Current (3BN)
				Grassy Creek (3BS)
	Southwestern			Maple Creek-White Valley
	Annapolis Valley			Gull Lake-Happyland
	Central			Yorkton
	Eastern	47	5В	Cote-Good Lake-Preeceville
12 05	Cape Breton	47	6А	Lumsden
		47	6В	Saskatoon
13 01	Northwestern - Nord-Ouest	47	7A	Kindersley-St Andrews
13 02	Southwestern - Sud-Ouest	47	7В	Biggar-Round Valley
13 03	Southeastern - Sud-Est	47	8A	Star City-Nipawin-Hudson Bay
13 04	Northeastern - Nord-Est	47	8B	Humbolt
		47	9A	Prince Albert-North Battleford
24 01	Bas-Saint-Laurent	47	9В	Britannia-Meadow Lake-Battle River
24 02	SaguenayLac-Saint-JeanCôte-Nord	47	00	Northern Saskatchewan
	Québec			
24 04	Mauricie	48	01	Medicine Hat-Hanna
24 05	Estrie	48	02	Lethbridge-Drumheller
24 06	MontréalLaval			Calgary-Foothills
	Lanaudière			Stettler-Wainwritht
24 08	Outaouais			Camrose-Vermillion River-Lloydminster
24 09	Laurentides			Edmonton-Red Deer-Rocky Mountain House
	Abitibi-TémiscamingueNord-du-Québec			Yellowhead-Woodlands-Cold Lake-Wood Buffalo
	GaspésieÎles-de-la-Madeleine			Peace River-Grande Prairie
	Chaudière-Appalaches			
	Montérégie	59	01	Vancouver Island-Coast
	Centre-du-Ouébec	59	02	Lower Mainland-Southwest
				Thompson-Okanagan
35 01	Southern Ontario - Sud de l'Ontario			Kootenay
	Western Ontario - Ouest de l'Ontario			Cariboo
	Central Ontario - Centre de l'Ontario			North Coast
	Eastern Ontario - Est de l'Ontario			Nechako
	Northern Ontario - Nord de l'Ontario			Peace River
33 03	Not diedric Nota de 1 diedric	55	00	redec River
46 01	Southwestern	60	0.0	Yukon
	Brandon-Wallace	00	00	Tukon
	Neepawa-Minnedosa-Shoal Lake	61	٥٥	Northwest Territories
	Lake of the Prairies	01	00	Wolchwest Tellicolles
	Swan River	62	0.0	Nunavut
	Dauphin	02	00	Nullavuc
	Centre-West			
	Centre-South			
	Centre-East			
	Southeastern			
	Centre-North			
	Northern			
±0 12	MOT CHETH			

#### APPENDIX M Canada Post Air Stage Offices

## What Is An Air Stage Office?

According to Canada Post, "An Air Stage Office is a Post Office to or from which all mail must be airlifted for more than six (6) months of every year as a viable surface transportation alternative is not available. These offices are generally confined to remote or isolated communities. An office designated an Air Stage Office is deemed to be Air Stage for the whole year." http://www.canadapost.ca/tools/pg/manual/PGairstage-e.asp (Last updated: 2007-09-17)

#### APPENDICE M Les Bureaux du Service aérien omnibus des Postes Canada

#### De quoi s'agissent les Bureaux du Service aérien omnibus?

D'après Postes Canada, « Il s'agit d'un bureau de poste à partir ou à destination duquel tout le courrier doit être transporté par avion parce qu'il n'y a pas de moyen de transport par voie de terre viable durant au moins six mois par année. Ce type de bureau est généralement situé dans les régions éloignées ou isolées. Tout bureau de poste désigné bureau du Service aérien omnibus le demeure pendant toute l'année. »

http://www.postescanada.ca/tools/pg/manual/PGairstage-f.asp (Mise à jour : 2007-09-17)

Table 1: List of Air Stage Offices
Tableau 1 : Liste des bureaux du Service aérien omnibus

MMC	PR	FSA LDU			
OUSAT	BC	VOR 1A0	GOD'S RIVER	MB	ROB C
KLAVIK	NT	XOE OAO	GRANVILLE LAKE	MB	ROB 0
KULIVIK	QC	J0M 1V0	GRISE FIORD	NU	XOA C
NGLING LAKE	ÕN	POV 1B0	HALL BEACH	NU	XOA C
RCTIC BAY	NU	XOA OAO	HARRINGTON HARBOUR	QC	GOG 1
TTAWAPISKAT	ON	POL 1AO	HARTLEY BAY	BC	VOV 1
RVIAT	NU	XOC OEO	HOLMAN	NU	XOE (
UPALUK	QC	J0M 1X0	HOPEDALE	NL	AOP 1
AKER LAKE	NU	XOC OAO	IGLOOLIK	NU	XOA (
AY CHIMO	NU	XOB 2AO	INUKJUAK	QC	J0M 1
EARSKIN LAKE	ON	POV 1EO	IOALUIT	NU	XOA (
ERENS RIVER	MB	ROB OAO	IOALUIT	nu	XOA 1
IG TROUT LAKE	ON	POV 1GO	ISLAND LAKE	MB	R0B (
LACK LAKE	SK	S0J 0H0	IVUJIVIK	OC	J0M 1
LACK TICKLE	NL	AOK 1NO	KANGIQSUALUJJUAQ	QC	J0M 1
LIND CHANNEL	BC	V0P 1B0	KANGIOSUJUAO	ÕC	J0M 1
BLOODVEIN	MB	ROC 0J0	KANGIRSUK	QC	J0M 1
RADORE BAY	OC	GOG 1EO	KASABONIKA	ÕN	P0V 1
ROCHET	MB	R0B 0B0	KASHECHEWAN	ON	POL 1
AMBRIDGE BAY	NU	XOB OCO	KEEWAYWIN	ON	POV 3
APE DORSET	NU	XOA OCO	KÉGASKA	QC	GOG 1
AT LAKE	ON	POV 1J0	KIMMIRUT	NU	XOA (
HESTERFIELD INLET	NU	XOC OBO	KINGCOME INLET	BC	VON 2
HEVERY	OC	G0G 1G0	KINGFISHER LAKE	ON	P0V 1
LYDE RIVER	NU	XOA OEO	KITKATLA	BC	VOV 1
OLVILLE LAKE	NT	XOE 1LO	KLEMTU	BC	VOT 1
ORAL HARBOUR	NU	XOC OCO	KUGAARUK	NU	х0в 1
AWSON'S LANDING	BC	VON 1MO	KUGLUKTUK	NU	х0в (
DEER LAKE	ON	POV 1NO	KUUJJUAO	QC	JOM 1
ÉLINE	NT	XOE OGO	KUUJJUARAPIK	QC	J0M 1
ABAMET LAKE	ON	POT 1LO	KYUOUOT	BC	VOP 1
UREKA	NU	XOA OGO	LA TABATIÈRE	QC	GOG 1
'OND-DU-LAC	SK	SOJ OWO	LAC BROCHET	MB	ROB 2
ORT ALBANY	ON	POL 1HO	LAC SEUL	ON	POV 2
ORT CHIPEWYAN	AB	TOP 1B0	LANSDOWNE HOUSE	ON	POT 1
ORT GOOD HOPE	NT	XOE OHO	LAX KW'ALAAMS	BC	VOV 1
ORT SEVERN	ON	POV 1W0	LITTLE GRAND RAPIDS	MB	ROB (
OX LAKE	AB	TOH 1RO	LUTSELK'E	NT	XOE 1
ARDEN HILL	MB	ROB OTO	MAKKOVIK	NL	AOP 1
ARDEN RIVER	AB	T0H 4G0	MINSTREL ISLAND	BC	VOP 1
ETHSÉMANI	QC	G0G 1M0	MUSKRAT DAM	ON	POV 3
JOA HAVEN	NU	X0B 1J0	MUTTON BAY	OC	GOG 2
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NANISIVIK	NU	X0A		SANDY LAKE	ON	P0V 1V0
NATUASHIS	NL	A0P		SANIKILUAQ	NU	XOA OWO
NEGGINAN	MB	R0B		SHAMATTAWA	MB	ROB 1KO
NORMAN WELLS	NT	X0E		SIMOOM SOUND	BC	V0P 1S0
NORTH SPIRIT LAKE	ON	POV		SOUTH INDIAN LAKE	MB	R0B 1N0
OCEAN FALLS	BC	VOT		ST-AUGUSTIN-SAGUENAY	QC	G0G 2R0
OGOKI	ON	POT		ST THERESA POINT	MB	R0B 1J0
OLD CROW	YT	Y0B		STEVENSON ISLAND	MB	R0B 2H0
OONA RIVER	BC	VOV		STONY RAPIDS	SK	S0J 2R0
OWEEKENO	BC	VON		STUART ISLAND	BC	V0P 1V0
OXFORD HOUSE	MB	R0B	1C0	SULLIVAN BAY	BC	V0N 3H0
PANGNIRTUNG	NU	X0A	0R0	SUMMER BEAVER	ON	P0T 3B0
PAUINGASSI	MB	R0B	2G0	SURGE NARROWS	BC	V0P 1W0
PAULATUK	NT	X0E	1N0	TADOULE LAKE	MB	R0B 2C0
PEAWANUCK	ON	POL	2H0	TALOYOAK	NU	X0B 1B0
PIKANGIKUM	ON	POV	2L0	TASIUJAQ	QC	J0M 1T0
POND INLET	NU	X0A	0S0	TÊTE-À-LA-BALEINE	QC	G0G 2W0
POPLAR HILL	ON	POV	3E0	TROUT LAKE	NT	X0E 1Z0
POPLAR RIVER	MB	R0B	0Z0	TUKTOYAKTUK	NT	X0E 1C0
PORT-MENIER	QC	G0G	2Y0	TULITA	NT	XOE OKO
POSTVILLE	NL	A0P	1N0	UMIUJAQ	QC	J0M 1Y0
PORT NEVILLE	BC	V0P	1M0	URANIUM CITY	SK	S0J 2W0
PUKATAWAGAN	MB	R0B	1G0	WAASAGOMACH	MB	R0B 1Z0
PUVIRNITUQ	QC	JOM	1P0	WARE	BC	V0J 3B0
QIKIQTARJUAQ	NU	X0A	0B0	WEAGAMOW LAKE	ON	P0V 2Y0
QUAQTAQ	QC	JOM	1J0	WEBEQUIE	ON	POT 3A0
RAE LAKES	NT	X0E	1R0	WEKWETI	NT	XOE 1WO
RANKIN INLET	NU	X0C	0G0	WHA TI	NT	X0E 1P0
RED SUCKER LAKE	MB	R0B	1H0	WHALE COVE	NU	XOC 0J0
REFUGE COVE	BC	V0P	1P0	WILLIAMS HARBOUR	NL	AOK 5VO
REPULSE BAY	NU	X0C	0H0	WOLLASTON LAKE	SK	S0J 3C0
RESOLUTE	NU	X0A	0V0	WUNNUMMIN LAKE	ON	P0V 2Z0
RIGOLET	NL	A0P	1P0	YORK LANDING	MB	R0B 2B0
SACHIGO LAKE	ON	POV				
SACHS HARBOUR	NU	X0E				
SALLUIT	QC	J0M				
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#### APPENDIX N

#### SUPPLEMENTARY PROGRAM DIST5X.SAS

DIST5x.SAS is a supplementary program for calculating distances from each record on one file to the closest of many records on a second file.

Use of this program requires that you have already generated two output files through previous use of *PCCF*+ Version 5x. It first reads in both files. Then, for each record in the first file, it calculates the distance to each record in the second file. It retains only the minimum distance, plus the ID of the record in the second file for which the minimum distance was found.

By default, the program assumes that you have previously defined two categories of records in the second file (for example, specialist and non-specialist physicians, or general hospitals and children's hospitals). You can modify the program to work with additional or fewer categories, defined and coded however you want.

Basic familiarity with SAS programming is required for use of this supplementary program.

# APPENDIX O SUPPLEMENTARY PROGRAM EXPLODE2.SAS

EXPLODE 2. SAS is a supplementary program to read in a data file containing counts for postal codes, and transform it into a file containing individual records, including a unique ID, for each occurrence of those postal codes. This is necessary for the data to be coded using PCCF+.

Basic familiarity with SAS programming is required for use of this supplementary program. A sample data file for testing this program is provided (GROUPED.TXT).

# APPENDIX P SUPPLEMENTARY PROGRAM FIXPCBAD.SAS

Appendix O is a supplementary program for fixing common errors in Canadian postal codes. It is intended for preprocessing of files prior to coding using PCCF+. A sample data file for testing this program is provided (PCBAD.TXT).